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GRAND JURY MAKES RETURNS

True Bills Found in Nearly All of the Cases Heard Up to Noon Today.

ONE FOR MURDER IN MASONTOWN CASE IGNORED.

Judge Crawford of Greene County Will Take the Place of Judge Umbel on Bench for Few Days.

Special to The Courier.

Uniontown, Dec. 6.—Because of the fact that Judge R. E. Umble cannot try the case of Ferd. Laughead's executors vs. the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, operating the Fairmont, Morgantown & Pittsburg railroad, and because of the non-arrival of Judge Crawford of Greene county this morning, there was a hitch in the proceedings of common pleas court. The Laughead case stopped after the jury had been taken to Oliphant to view the ground in question. Judge Umbel then left town to be gone several days. The case of the Valley Supply Company vs. Kellar & Crossen had been taken up, before Judge Reppert. So this morning the jury in the Laughead case was held and the Valley Supply case allowed to proceed before Judge Reppert. Upon his arrival in town Judge Crawford will take up the Laughead case.

Just before noon today the grand jury made their first returns. Thirteen cases were passed upon yesterday. All the murder indictments were disposed of, and out of seven defendants true bills were found against six. These are James W. Ezell, Charles E. Whitney, John Polick, Mike Polick, Mateo Miller and Carmine Rapuano. The case ignored was that of Pasquale Sugwan, who last September was arrested and charged with the killing of Charles Rugan at Edenborn. There were no eye witnesses to the cutting which resulted in the death of Rugan, and no evidence of any extent against the defendant.

The following report of true bills was made by the Grand Jury: Commonwealth vs. Andre Raznick, fornication and bastrady, Rasa Saakaska, prosecutrix; J. H. Haney, forgery, uttering and publishing fraudulent document and check, four informations in which the prosecutors are O. R. Brownfield, W. F. Miller nad D. R. Anderson; Mateo Miller, murder, Alex. McBeth, prosecutor; Pasquale Surgwan, murder, Alex. McBeth, ignored; Martin Kleanna, assault and battery, aggravated assault and battery, and unlawful cutting, true bills except in the case of unlawful cutting; Clifford Hawley, murder, Alex. McBeth, prosecutor; Corrino Rapuano, murder, Alex. McBeth, prosecutor; Pearl Rankin, furnishing liquor to minors, S. H. Crawford, prosecutor; Steve Kallisai, larceny and receiving stolen goods, A. R. Rooney, prosecutor; John Pollick and Mike Pollick, four charges of assault, etc., Alex. McBeth, prosecutor; same defendants, true bill for murder; Chas. E. Whitney, murder, Alex. McBeth, prosecutor; Albert J. Rowen, desertion and non-support, Fay Rowen, prosecutrix; Nora Laughlin and John Laughlin, assault and battery, Lizzie Stang, prosecutrix; Frank Haney, forgery and uttering false check, E. E. Beardsley, prosecutor; J. W. Ezell, murder, M. Morris, prosecutor; James Shaw and Geo. Trew, larceny from the person and robbery, Steve Kosko, prosecutor; Maggie Carter, asault and battery, Ida Woolery, prosecutrix; Harry Maecher, assault and battery with intent to ravish, J. Andros, prosecutor.

The case of the Valley Supply Company against Kellar & Crossan hails from Brownsville. Kellar & Crossan are contractors, who in 1902 built the Monongahela railroad through Brownsville. In order to get the right of way along the old river wharf several buildings were condemned and destroyed. The plaintiffs allege that owing to undue haste in removing the debris a fire was started to destroy invaluable lumber and other material. This fire, it is further alleged, was spread into the old Monongahela wharf house in order to destroy it quickly.

In this building were a number of old oil barrels and other highly inflammable material. This caught fire, and a general conflagration started It spread to the Storey house, badly damaging it, burned down a distillery and completely destroyed the storage house of the Valley Supply Company. They place the loss of their building and stock at $1,500, which amount, with interest from October 1, 1902, they wish to recover.

The case of R. H. Phillips, and others, versus Florence B. Williams and others, was settled by the defendants confessing judgment for $348.38, the amount claimed with interest. This settlement was settled between Attorney Newmyer for the plaintiffs and L A. Howard for the defense It is understood that the defendants are in the south and unable to attend the trial.

The case of A. C. Bitner versus The Citizens' Water Company, a petition to appoint viewers, was continued for cause. This is on account of the death of W. A. Hogg, attorney for the defendants.

The case of S. S. Snader & Company versus Jacob Cropp and others, a Cet. Fa. Mechanics' Lien, was nonsuited. The trespass action of P. H. Trout versus William Chambers was also non-suited.

George B. Freed, foreman of the grand jury, has some legal knowledge that is valuable to him in this position. He graduated in the law department of the Bloomington, Ill., University, and was admitted to the bar in his home county, in Illinois. He never practiced law, but he now remembers with pleasure his experience in the legal world.

Elias Hanna has been committed to jail by Justice Charles Bowman of Brownsville on a charge of larceny.

Joseph Broadbent, who was committed to jail last Saturday by Justice Dawson of Uniontown on a charge of felonious shooting, and who was subsequently released, was re-committed today from Squire Boyle's office on a charge of assault and battery.

A WOMAN'S PLUCK.

Rescued Her Children After She Had Been Terribly Injured.

Fayette City, Dec. 6—Mrs. Jesse Hough of this place met with a very painful accident on Friday last. She started to visit her mother who lives near Layton station. She was driving and had her two small children with her, the eldest being two years old. Just as she stopped at her mother's gate some clothes hanging on the line blew over the fence frightening the horse, causing it to back the buggy over a 35 foot embankment on to the Pittsburg, McKeesport & Youghiogheny railroad.

The horse and the children escaped serious injury, but Mrs. Hough was not so fortunate. She had her jaw bone broken and twenty stitches were required to sew up cuts on her head and face. The plucky woman got herself and children out of the wreckage and unhitched the horse and then fainted from the loss of blood.

There were no men present and Mrs. Hough's mother telephoned across the river to some men who came over and removed the wrecked buggy from the tracks just a few minutes before the express came thundering along.

GO TO NEW YORK.

Government Officers in Chadwick Affair Will Interview Carnegie.

New York, Dec. 6—[Special.]—The affairs of Mrs. Cassie Chadwick, the woman whose financial exploits have caused widespread sensation, gained added interest today when it was announced that Receiver Lyons and Attorney Oldham, the government officers in charge of the Oberlin bank, were on their way to New York with the notes said to bear Andrew Carnegie's name.

The government officers will first call upon Mr. Carnegie and may also interview Mrs. Chadwick. The latter spent an uneventful night ad her physical codition was somewhat improved this morning.

BECKWITH GRIEF STRICKEN.

Declares Mrs. Chadwick Should Be Arrested for Her Misdeeds.

Oberlin, O, Dec. 6.—[Special]—"If anybody should be arrested it is Mrs. Chadwick," declared President Beckwith this morning, "evidently she has committed the crime of forgery."

The old and broken man was in a state bordering on a nervous collapse and today he is in a much worse condition than at any time since the close of the Citizens' National Bank. Tears course down his cheeks and his voice chokes with grief and despair while he continuously repeats, "Why did I do it, why did I?"

THIRTEEN TEAMS TIED.

Six Day Race is Close but Time is Slow.

New York, Dec. 6—[Special]—Thirteen of the 17 teams in the six day bicycle race at the Madison Square Garden are tied for the lead this morning while the remaining four are but one lap behind the leaders, who, at 10 o'clock had reeled off 652.6 miles. The previous record for this hour was 698.2.

The prospects for the number of tied teams being cut down is scarce, and all of the 34 riders seem to be in good condition.

A long suffering public would be deeply grateful if these reorganizers would take to the tall growth and stay there for about four years.

THE AARON BUILDING

Will Be the Handsomest Business Block in Fayette County.

ITS DETAILED DESCRIPTION.

Whole of the Building Will Be Used for the Business of the Aaron Company Which Will Be Greatly Enlarged Next Spring.

One of the best building projects that has been launched for the coming building season is the new six-story building to be erected by I Aaron for The Aaron Company, corner of Pittsburg and Apple streets, just opposite the building now occupied by this company, which is to be used exclusively by The Aaron Company for an immense stock of house furnishing supplies. This building, when completed, will be one of the most up-to-date house furnishing stores in Western Pennsylvania.

The building will be 50x127 feet, or covering the entire site; will be six stories in height, with mezzanine story between the first and second floors. The frame of the building will be structural steel encased with a most harmonious combination of polished granite, ornamental terra cotta and pressed brick. The general design of the exterior is strictly Empire, carrying with it every embellishment characteristic of this style of architecture; and in consideration of the excellent location, will present a handsome appearance.

The building will be equipped with a rapid electric passenger elevator, running from basement to sixth floor. At the side of the building is a large pavement lift for the removal of incoming goods to basement unpacking room.

Near the front of the building, continuing from basement to sixth story, is a handsome ornamental iron staircase of latest design.

The basement floor will be devoted to the heating and machinery room, fuel room, unpacking and storage room, sales room of stoves, china and queensware; first floor, one immense furniture show room, with large and spacious show windows entirely across the front and side of the building; mezzanine story, sub-divided into the various offices, while in the rear mezzanine story is the shipping and delivery department, which is so arranged that the wagons for delivery can be loaded direct from the shipping platform on the level with wagons; this department is of ample size to accommodate from six to eight large sized delivery wagons and is enclosed at entrance way with the latest approved steel rolling shutters.

The second story is devoted exclusively to the carpet department. The third, fourth, fifth and sixth floors are devoted to furniture show and sales rooms and furniture storage.

The building will be equipped with the latest system of electric lighting and will be provided with a complete electric plant. It will be heated throughout with a direct indirect system of steam heating and ventilating.

The plans and specifications for this building are nearing completion and it is expected the contract will be closed for the work before the first of the year.

The architect commissioned by Mr. Aaron for this work is Andrew P. Cooper, of Uniontown, who has been prominently identified with most of the important building operations carried forward throughout the county and vicinity in the past three years, he having designed the new Y. M. C. A. building in course of erection, the Uniontown Hospital, and the new five story Sample-Marshall Hotel, Uniontown, now in course of erection, and various other private and public buildings.

CAPTURED WILD MAN.

Crazy Slav at Lemont Run In by Constable Stull.

A crazy Slav who refuses to give his name has been placed in jail by Constable George Stull of North Union township. The man has been frightening the women and children about Lemont, Youngstown and Percy for several days. He would run away into the mountains every time he was pursued. Monday Constable Stull came upon him unawares in a field near Lemont and captured him.

The man had all of the clothes burned from the upper portion of his body and was severely burned. The Commissioners will have him examined and likely sent to an asylum.

DROPPED DEAD.

John Overholt Expired While Butchering a Hog.

John Overholt, a well known farmer of West Overton, dropped dead this morning at his home about 9 o'clock. He was apparently in the best of health when he arose this morning. He had made preparations to butcher today. He had just shot a hog and then had stuck it with a butcher knife As he withdrew the knife Mr. Overholt toppled over and died.

Deceased was about 50 years old. He lived on the old Overholt homestead with his sister, Miss Anna, and an uncle, Martin Overholt. They owned the farm jointly.

The President's Message.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6—[Special] The message of President Roosevelt to Congress was read shortly after the Senate and House convened at noon today.

ROUTE 35 AMENDED.

Petition of Patrons Favorably Acted on by Postoffice Department.

EXTENDS THE DISTANCE SOME.

An Extra Carrier and Clerk Has Been Allowed Postmaster Clark Collins During the Heaviest Part of the Christmas Season.

In response to the petition of a number of patrons of the Connellsville postoffice an order has been made by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General J. H. Bristow amending rural free delivery route No. 35 out of Connellsville. There were 25 or 30 names on the petition. The route is extended about a mile and a half or two miles, but none of the old patrons are dropped. The same service is given them and the route is amended so as to include the petitioners. The order goes into effect on December 15, 1904.

Following is Route No. 35 as amended by the department. Beginning at the postoffice, the carrier will go thence. Northeast to Dushane corner, northerly to Johnson school house, southeasterly to Huey corner, westerly to Eckard road, retrace to Huey corner, northeasterly to Breakneck church, north to Crossland corner, west to Boyd's store, east to Pleasant Valley school house corner, north to Hatfield corner, west to Mt. Olive church corner, northeast to Detwiler corner, east to Switzer corner, north and northwest via Hemminger's Mill to Lyon's corner, south and southwest on Laurelville road to Mt. Pleasant, road southwest and south to Connellsville postoffice, a total length of 21¾ miles.

Owing to continued ill health, Rural Carrier P. J. Weimer has resigned as stated several days ago. Approval of the resignation was received by Postmaster Clark Collins this morning and also applications for examination to fill the vacancy. These applications must be on file with the Rural Examining Board at Washington within ten days from date. During Carrier Weimers illness the route has been served by S P Weimer. Any information relative to the application for the vacancy will be furnished by Postmaster Collins or Assistant Postmaster A. E. Kurtz at the Connellsville office.

The heavy season for the local postoffice is about to set in. Postmaster Collins has authority to hire an extra carrier during the busiest ten days of the Christmas season and also an extra clerk for 15 days.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

It Was Read to Both Branches of Congress Shortly After They Convened Today.

MAIN FEATURES AS COVERED BY THE EXECUTIVE.

Country's Prosperity Justifies Greater Expenditures for Permanent Improvement Than Would Be Wise in Hard Times.

President Roosevelt's message has been delivered to congress. Its main features are as follows:

The enlargement of scope of the functions of the national government required by our development as a nation involves, of course, increase of expense, and the period of prosperity through which the country is passing justifies expenditures for permanent improvements far greater than would be wise in hard times, but abundant revenues and a large surplus always invite extravagance, and constant care should be taken to guard against unnecessary increase of the ordinary expenses of government.

Capital and Labor.

The relations of capital and labor, and especially of organized capital and organized labor, to each other and to the public at large come second in importance only to the intimate questions of family life. Our peculiar form of government, with its sharp division of authority between the nation and the several states, has been on the whole far more advantageous to our development than a more strongly centralized government. But it is undoubtedly responsible for much of the difficulty of meeting with adequate legislation the new problems presented by the total change in industrial conditions on this continent during the last half century. In actual practice it has proved exceedingly difficult, and in many cases impossible, to get unanimity of wise action among the various states on these subjects. From the very nature of the case this is especially true of the laws affecting the employment of capital in huge masses.

With regard to labor, the problem is no less important, but it is simpler. As long as the states retain the primary control of the police power the circumstances must be altogether extreme which require interference by the federal authorities, whether in the way of safeguarding the rights of labor or in the way of seeing that wrong is not done by unruly persons who shield themselves behind the name of labor. If there is resistance to the federal courts, interference with the mails or interstate commerce or molestation of federal property, or if the state authorities in some crisis which they are unable to face call for help, then the federal government may interfere; but, though such interference may be caused by a condition of things arising out of trouble connected with some question of labor, the interference itself simply takes the form of restoring order without regard to the questions which have caused the breach of order. In the District of Columbia and in the territories the federal law covers the entire field of government. But the labor question is only acute in populous centers of commerce, manufactures or mining. Nevertheless both in the enactment and in the enforcement of law the federal government within its restricted sphere should set an example to the state governments, especially in a matter so vital as this affecting labor.

Labor Unions.

I believe that under modern industrial conditions it is often necessary and even where not necessary it is yet often wise that there should be organization of labor in order better to secure the rights of the individual wageworker. All encouragement should be given to any such organization so long as it is conducted with a due and decent regard for the rights of others. There are in this country some labor unions which have habitually and other labor unions which have often been among the most effective agents in working for good citizenship and for uplifting the condition of those whose welfare should be closest to our hearts. But when any labor union seeks improper ends or seeks to achieve proper ends by improper means all good citizens, and more especially all honorable public servants, must oppose the wrongdoing as resolutely as they would oppose the wrongdoing of any great corporation. Violence, brutality or corruption should not for one moment be tolerated.

Entire Right to Organize.

Wageworkers have an entire right to organize and by all peaceful and honorable means to endeavor to persuade their fellows to join with them in organizations. They have a legal right, which, according to circumstances, may or may not be a moral right, to refuse to work in company with men who decline to join their organizations. They have under no circumstances the right to commit violence upon those, whether capitalists or wageworkers, who refuse to support their organizations or who side with those with whom they are at odds, for mob rule is intolerable in any form.

The wageworkers are peculiarly entitled to the protection and the encouragement of the law. Wherever the national government has power there should be a stringent employer's liability law, which should apply to the government itself where the government is an employer of labor.

Prevention of Railroad Accidents.

The ever increasing casualty list upon our railroads is a matter of grave public concern and urgently calls for action by the congress. The passage of a law requiring the adoption of a block signal system has been proposed to the congress. I earnestly concur in that recommendation and would also point out to the congress the urgent need of legislation in the interest of the public safety limiting the hours of labor for railroad employees in train service upon railroads engaged in interstate commerce and providing that only trained and experienced persons be employed in positions of responsibility connected with the operation of trains.

The safety appliance law, as amended by the act of March 2, 1903, has proved beneficial to railway employees, and in order that its provisions may be properly carried out the force of inspectors provided for by appropriation should be largely increased. This service has passed the experimental stage and should receive generous recognition by the congress.

Unionism In Government Offices.

There is no objection to employees of the government forming or belonging to unions, but the government can neither discriminate for nor discriminate against nonunion men who are in its employment or who seek to be employed under it. Moreover, it is a very grave impropriety for government employees to band themselves together for the purpose of extorting improperly high salaries from the government. Especially is this true of those within the classified service. The letter carriers, both municipal and rural, are as a whole an excellent body of public servants. They should be amply paid. But their payment must be obtained by arguing their claims fairly and honorably before the congress and not by banding together for the defeat of those congressmen who refuse to give promises which they cannot in conscience give. The administration has taken steps to prevent and punish abuses of this nature, but it will be wise for the congress to supplement this action by legislation.

Bureau of Labor.

Much can be done by the government in labor matters merely by giving publicity to certain conditions. The bureau of labor has done excellent work of this kind in many different directions. I shall shortly lay before you in a special message the full report of the investigation of the bureau of labor into the Colorado mining strike, as this is a strike in which certain very evil forces, which are more or less at work everywhere under the conditions of modern industrialism, became startlingly prominent. It is greatly to be wished that the department of commerce and labor, through the labor bureau, should compile and arrange for the congress a list of the labor laws of the various states and should be given the means to investigate and report to the congress upon the labor conditions in the manufacturing and mining regions throughout the country, both as to wages, as to hours of labor, as to the labor of women and children and as to the effect in the various labor centers of immigration from abroad. In this investigation especial attention should be paid to the conditions of child labor and child labor legislation in the several states.

Corporations.

When we come to deal with great corporations the need for the government to act directly is far greater than in the case of labor, because great corporations can become such only by engaging in interstate commerce, and interstate commerce is peculiarly the field of the general government. It is an absurdity to expect to eliminate the abuses in great corporations by state action. It is difficult to be patient with an argument that such matters should be left to the states, because more than one state pursues the policy of creating on easy terms corporations which are never operated within that state at all, but in other states whose laws they ignore. The national government alone can deal adequately with these great corporations. To try to deal with them in an intemperate, destructive or demagogic spirit would in all

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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probability mean that nothing whatever would be accomplished, and with absolute certainty that if anything were accomplished it would be of a harmful nature. The American people need to continue to show the very qualities that they have shown—that is, moderation, good sense, the earnest desire to avoid doing any damage and yet the quiet determination to proceed, step by step, without halt and without hurry, in eliminating or at least in minimizing whatever of mischief or of evil there is to interstate commerce in the conduct of great corporations. They are acting in no spirit of hostility to wealth, either individual or corporate. They are not against the rich man any more than against the poor man. On the contrary, they are friendly alike toward rich man and toward poor man, provided only that each acts in a spirit of justice and decency toward his fellows. Great corporations are necessary, and only men of great and singular mental power can manage such corporations successfully, and such men must have great rewards. But these corporations should be managed with due regard to the interest of the public as a whole. Where this can be done under the present laws it must be done. Where these laws come short others should be enacted to supplement them.

Bureau of Corporations.

The bureau of corporations has made careful preliminary investigation of many important corporations. It will make a special report on the beef industry.

The policy of the bureau is to accomplish the purposes of its creation by co-operation, not antagonism; by making constructive legislation, not destructive prosecution, the immediate object of its inquiries; by conservative investigation of law and fact and by refusal to issue incomplete and hence necessarily inaccurate reports. Its policy being thus one of open inquiry into and not attack upon business, the bureau has been able to gain not only the confidence, but, better still, the co-operation, of men engaged in legitimate business.

The bureau offers to the congress the means of getting at the cost of production of our various great staples of commerce.

Of necessity the careful investigation of special corporations will afford the commissioner knowledge of certain business facts, the publication of which might be an improper infringement of private rights. The method of making public the results of these investigations affords, under the law, a means for the protection of private rights. The congress will have all facts except such as would give to another corporation information which would injure the legitimate business of a competitor and destroy the incentive for individual superiority and thrift.

The bureau has also made exhaustive examinations into the legal condition under which corporate business is carried on in the various states, into all judicial decisions on the subject and into the various systems of corporate taxation in use. I call special attention to the report of the chief of the bureau, and I earnestly ask that the congress carefully consider the report and recommendations of the commissioner on this subject.

The business of insurance vitally affects the great mass of the people of the United States and is national and not local in its application. It involves a multitude of transactions among the people of the different states and between American companies and foreign governments. I urge that the congress carefully consider whether the power of the bureau of corporations cannot constitutionally be extended to cover interstate transactions in insurance.

Rebates.

Above all else we must strive to keep the highways of commerce open to all on equal terms, and to do this it is necessary to put a complete stop to all rebates. Whether the shipper or the railroad is to blame makes no difference. The rebate must be stopped, the abuses of the private car and private terminal track and side track systems must be stopped, and the legislation of the Fifty-eighth congress which declares it to be unlawful for any person or corporation to offer, grant, give, solicit, accept or receive any rebate, concession or discrimination in respect of the transportation of any property in interstate or foreign commerce whereby such property shall by any device whatever be transported at a less rate than that named in the tariffs published by the carrier must be enforced. While I am of the opinion that at present it would be undesirable if it were not impracticable finally to clothe the interstate commerce commission with general authority to fix railroad rates, I do believe that as a fair security to shippers the commission should be vested with the power where a given rate has been challenged and after full hearing found to be unreasonable to decide, subject to judicial review, what shall be a reasonable rate to take its place, the order of the commission to take effect immediately and to obtain unless and until it is reversed by the court of review.

Steamship companies engaged in interstate commerce and protected in our coastwise trade should be held to a strict observance of the interstate commerce act.

[The president here discusses the city of Washington, making numerous recommendations looking to its better government. He asks that laws be passed preventing overcrowding in the tenement districts, for the abolition of blind alleys and the proper housing of the poor. He also recommends changes in the criminal code, and would have wife beaters corporally punished.]

Irrigation.

During the two and a half years that have elapsed since the passage of the reclamation act rapid progress has been made in the surveys and examinations of the opportunities for reclamation in the thirteen states and three territories of the arid west. Construction has already been begun on the largest and most important of the irrigation works, and plans are being completed for works which will utilize the funds now available.

The forest policy of the government is just now a subject of vivid public interest throughout the west and to the people of the United States in general. The forest reserves themselves are of extreme value to the present as well as to the future welfare of all the western public land states. They powerfully affect the use and disposal of the public lands. They are of special importance because they preserve the water supply and the supply of timber for domestic purposes and so promote settlement under the reclamation act. Indeed they are essential to the welfare of every one of the great interests of the west.

I have repeatedly called attention to the confusion which exists in government forest matters because the work is scattered among three independent organizations. As I have recommended, all the forest work of the government should be concentrated in the department of agriculture, where the larger part of that work is already done. The Canyon of the Colorado should be made a national park, and the national park system should include the Yosemite and as many as possible of the groves of giant trees in California.

Pensions.

The veterans of the civil war have a claim upon the nation such as no other body of our citizens possess. The pension bureau has never in its history been managed in a more satisfactory manner than is now the case.

Consular Service.

Our consular system needs improvement. Salaries should be substituted for fees, and the proper classification, grading and transfer of consular officers should be provided. I am not prepared to say that a competitive system of examinations for appointment would work well, but by law it should be provided that consuls should be familiar, according to places for which they apply, with the French, German or Spanish language and should possess acquaintance with the resources of the United States.

It is desirable to enact a proper national quarantine law.

I call your attention to the great extravagance in printing and binding government publications and especially to the fact that altogether too many of these publications are printed.

Currency.

The attention of the congress should be especially given to the currency question and that the standing committees on the matter in the two houses charged with the duty take up the matter of our currency and see whether it is not possible to secure an agreement in the business world for bettering the system. The committees should consider the question of the retirement of the greenbacks and the problem of securing in our currency such elasticity as is consistent with safety. Every silver dollar should be made by law redeemable in gold at the option of the holder.

Merchant Marine.

I especially commend to your immediate attention the encouragement of our merchant marine by appropriate legislation.

The growing importance of the orient as a field for American exports drew from my predecessor, President McKinley, an urgent request for its special consideration by the congress.

The importance of securing proper information and data with a view to the enlargement of our trade with Asia is undiminished. Our consular representatives in China have strongly urged a place for permanent display of American products in some prominent trade center of that empire, under government control and management, as an effective means of advancing our export trade therein. I call the attention of the congress to the desirability of carrying out these suggestions.

Immigration and Naturalization.

In dealing with the questions of immigration and naturalization it is indispensable to keep certain facts ever before the minds of those who share in enacting the laws. First and foremost, let us remember that the question of being a good American has nothing whatever to do with a man's birthplace any more than it has to do with his creed. In every generation from the time this government was founded men of foreign birth have stood in the very foremost rank of good citizenship, and that not merely in one but in every field of American activity.

There is no danger of having too many immigrants of the right kind, but the citizenship of this country should not be debased. It is vital that we should keep high the standard of well being among our wageworkers, and therefore we should not admit masses of men whose standards of living and whose personal customs and habits are such that they tend to lower the level of the American wageworker, and above all we should not admit any man of an unworthy type. Similarly we should take the greatest care about naturalization. Fraudulent naturalization, the naturalization of improper persons, is a curse to our government; and it is the affair of every honest voter, wherever born, to see that no fraudulent voting is allowed, that no fraud in connection with naturalization is permitted.

Revision of Naturalization Laws.

There should be a comprehensive revision of the naturalization laws. The courts having power to naturalize should be definitely named by national authority, the testimony upon which naturalization may be conferred should be definitely prescribed, publication of impending naturalization applications should be required in advance of their hearing in court, the form and wording of all certificates issued should be uniform throughout the country, and the courts should be required to make returns to the secretary of state at stated periods of all naturalizations conferred.

Not only are the laws relating to naturalization now defective, but those relating to citizenship of the United States ought also to be made the subject of scientific inquiry with a view to probable further legislation. The power of the government to protect the integrity of the elections of its own officials is inherent and has been recognized and affirmed by repeated declarations of the supreme court. There is no enemy of free government more dangerous and none so insidious as the corruption of the electorate. I recommend the enactment of a law directed against bribery and corruption in federal elections.

Delays in Criminal Prosecutions.

No subject is better worthy the attention of the congress than that portion of the report of the attorney general dealing with the long delays and the great obstruction to justice experienced in the cases of Beavers, Green and Gaynor and Benson. Were these isolated and special cases I should not call your attention to them, but the difficulties encountered as regards these men who have been indicted for criminal practices are not exceptional. They are precisely similar in kind to what occurs again and again in the case of criminals who have sufficient means to enable them to take advantage of a system of procedure which has grown up in the federal courts and which amounts in effect to making the law easy of enforcement against the man who has no money and difficult of enforcement, even to the point of sometimes securing immunity, as regards the man who has money. At present the interests of the innocent man are amply safeguarded, but the interests of the government—that is, the interests of honest administration; that is, the interests of the people—are not recognized as they should be.

[The president discusses the progress of the territories of Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico, with recommendations for changes in the present system of government of the first named. He desires to see a delegate from Alaska in congress.]

Foreign Policy.

The steady aim of this nation, as of all enlightened nations, should be to strive to bring ever nearer the day when there shall prevail throughout the world the peace of justice, but there are kinds of peace which are highly undesirable, which are in the long run as destructive as any war. The goal to set before us as a nation, the goal which should be set before all mankind, is the attainment of the peace of justice, of the peace which comes when each nation is not merely safeguarded in its own rights, but scrupulously recognizes and performs its duty toward others. Generally peace tells for righteousness, but if there is conflict between the two then our fealty is due first to the cause of righteousness. Unrighteous wars are common and unrighteous peace is rare, but both should be shunned. The right of freedom and the responsibility for the exercise of that right cannot be divorced. One of our great poets has well and finely said that freedom is not a gift that tarries long in the hands of cowards. Neither does it tarry long in the hands of those too slothful, too dishonest or too unintelligent to exercise it. The eternal vigilance which is the price of liberty must be exercised sometimes to guard against outside foes, although, of course, far more often to guard against our own selfish or thoughtless shortcomings.

It is our duty to remember that a nation has no more right to do injustice to another nation, strong or weak, than an individual has to do injustice to another individual, that the same moral law applies in one case as in the other. But we must also remember that it is as much the duty of the nation to guard its own rights and its own interests as it is the duty of the individual so to do. Until some method is devised by which there shall be a degree of international control over offending nations it would be a wicked thing for the most civilized powers, for those with most sense of international obligations and with keenest and most generous appreciation of the difference between right and wrong, to disarm. If the great civilized nations of the present day should completely disarm, the result would mean an immediate recrudescence of barbarism in one form or another. Under any circumstances a sufficient armament would have to be kept up to serve the purposes of international police, and until international cohesion and the sense of international duties and rights are far more advanced than at present a nation desirous both of securing respect for itself and of doing good to others must have a force adequate for the work which it feels is allotted to it as its part of the general world duty. Therefore it follows that a self respecting, just and farseeing nation should on the one hand endeavor by every means to aid in the development of the various movements which tend to provide substitutes for war, which tend to render nations in their actions toward one another and indeed toward their own peoples more responsive to the general sentiment of humane and civilized mankind, and, on the other hand, that it should keep prepared, while scrupulously avoiding wrongdoing itself, to repel any wrong and in exceptional cases to take action which in a more advanced stage of international relations would come under the head of the exercise of the international police.

Arbitration Treaties.

We are in every way endeavoring to help on, with cordial good will, every movement which will tend to bring us into more friendly relations with the rest of mankind. In pursuance of this policy I shall shortly lay before the senate treaties of arbitration with all powers which are willing to enter into these treaties with us. It is not possible at this period of the world's development to agree to arbitrate all matters, but there are many matters of possible difference between us and other nations which can be thus arbitrated. Furthermore, at the request of the interparliamentary union, an eminent body composed of practical statesmen from all countries, I have asked the powers to join with this government in a second Hague conference, at which it is hoped that the work already so happily begun at The Hague may be carried some steps further toward completion. This carries out the desire expressed by the first Hague conference itself.

Policy Toward Other Nations of Western Hemisphere.

It is not true that the United States feels any land hunger or entertains any projects as regards the other nations of the western hemisphere save such as are for their welfare. All that this country desires is to see the neighboring countries stable, orderly and prosperous. Any country whose people conduct themselves well can count upon our hearty friendship. If a nation shows that it knows how to act with reasonable efficiency and decency in social and political matters, if it keeps order and pays its obligations, it need fear no interference from the United States. Chronic wrongdoing or an impotence which results in a general loosening of the ties of civilized society may in America, as elsewhere, ultimately require intervention by some civilized nation, and in the western hemisphere the adherence of the United States to the Monroe doctrine may force the United States, however reluctantly, in flagrant cases of such wrongdoing or impotence, to the exercise of an international police power.

Rights of American Citizens Abroad.

It is necessary for us firmly to insist upon the rights of our own citizens abroad without regard to their creed or race; without regard to whether they were born here or born abroad. It has proved very difficult to secure from Russia the right for our Jewish fellow citizen to receive passports and travel through Russian territory. It is a wrong against which we are entitled to protest to refuse him his passport without regard to his conduct and character, merely on racial and religious grounds.

The Navy.

The strong arm of the government in enforcing respect for its just rights in international matters is the navy of the United States. I most earnestly recommend that there be no halt in the work of upbuilding the American navy. We have undertaken to build the isthmian canal. We have undertaken to secure for ourselves our just share in the trade of the orient. We have undertaken to protect our citizens from improper treatment in foreign lands. We continue steadily to insist on the application of the Monroe doctrine to the western hemisphere. Unless our attitude in these and all similar matters is to be a mere boastful sham we cannot afford to abandon our naval programme. Our voice is now potent for peace and is so potent because we are not afraid of war. But our protestations upon behalf of peace would neither receive nor deserve the slightest attention if we were impotent to make them good.

The Army.

Within the last three years the United States has set an example in disarmament where disarmament was proper. By law our army is fixed at a maximum of 100,000 and a minimum of 60,000 men. When there was insurrection in the Philippines we kept the army at the maximum. Peace came in the Philippines, and now our army has been reduced to the minimum at which it is possible to keep it with due regard to its efficiency. We should be able, in the event of some sudden emergency, to put into the field one first class army corps, which should be, as a whole, at least the equal of any body of troops of like number belonging to any other nation.

Great progress has been made in protecting our coasts by adequate fortifications with sufficient guns. We should, however, pay much more heed than at present to the development of an extensive system of floating mines for use in all our more important harbors. These mines have been proved to be a most formidable safeguard against hostile fleets.

The Philippines.

In the Philippine Islands there has been during the past year a continuation of the steady progress which has obtained ever since our troops definitely got the upper hand of the insurgents. The Philippine people, or, to speak more accurately, the many tribes and even races sundered from one another more or less sharply who go to make up the people of the Philippine Islands, contain many elements of good, and some elements which we have a right to hope stand for progress. At present they are utterly incapable of existing in independence at all or of building up a civilization of their own. I firmly believe that we can help them to rise higher and higher in the scale of civilization and of capacity for self government, and I most earnestly hope that in the end they will be able to stand, if not entirely alone, yet in some such relation to the United States as Cuba now stands. This end is not yet in sight, and it may be indefinitely postponed if our people are foolish enough to turn the attention of the Filipinos away from the problems of achieving moral and material prosperity, of working for a stable, orderly and just government, and toward foolish and dangerous intrigues for a complete independence for which they are as yet totally unfit.

On the other hand, our people must keep steadily before their minds the fact that the justification for our stay in the Philippines must ultimately rest chiefly upon the good we are able to do in the islands. I do not overlook the fact that in the development of our interests in the Pacific ocean and along its coasts the Philippines have played and will play an important part and that our interests have been served in more than one way by the possession of the islands. But our chief reason for continuing to hold them must be that we ought in good faith to try to do our share of the world's work, and this particular piece of work has been imposed upon us by the results of the war with Spain. We are endeavoring to develop the natives themselves so that they shall take an ever increasing share in their own government, and, as far as is prudent, we are already admitting their representatives to a governmental equality with our own. There are commissioners, judges and governors in the islands who are Filipinos and who have exactly the same share in the government of the islands as have their colleagues who are Americans, while in the lower ranks, of course, the great majority of the public servants are Filipinos. Within two years we shall be trying the experiment of an elective lower house in the Philippine legislature. If the Filipinos act with wisdom and self restraint, if they show that they are capable of electing a legislature which in its turn is capable of taking a sane and efficient part in the actual work of government, they can rest assured that a full and increasing measure of recognition will be given them.

Every measure taken concerning the islands should be taken primarily with a view to their advantage. We should certainly give them lower tariff rates on their exports to the United States. If this is not done it will be a wrong to extend our shipping laws to them. I earnestly hope for the immediate enactment into law of the legislation now pending to encourage American capital to seek investment in the islands in railroads, in factories, in plantations and in lumbering and mining.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From All Parts of the Town.

L. M. Leche, of Leche, Buckwalter & Co., was in Pittsburg Monday on business.

Mrs. E. R. Bossart of Mt. Pleasant was shopping in town Monday.

All the monthly magazines at R. E. Porter & Bro.

Miss Cra Trump of Green street who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edward Buckingham of McKeesport, for the past several days returned home Saturday.

The Second National Bank of Connellsville, Pa., pays 2% on daily balances and 5% on savings accounts.

Mrs. Louise Bryte of Highland avenue went to Williamsburg today where she will spend several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Tildon Ream.

Hogs, hogs, hogs, home dressed at W. S. Kreger's meat market, 7c per pound, delivered free and promptly.

Mrs. Carson, of Johnston avenue went to Pittsburg Monday afternoon on B. & O. train No. 7 to visit with friends.

The First National Bank of Connellsville has a surplus more than double its capital. Pays interest on checking accounts at 2 per cent, on savings accounts at 4 per cent.

J. L. Keffer, principal of the Dunbar township schools, was calling on friends in town Monday.

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The "Missouri Girl" will receive the same product on in the Colonial Theatre on December 16 as in the larger cities.

Miss Rigg of Wilkinsburg is the guest of her brother, Rev. M. A. Rigg, of the South Side.

It is easy to remember interesting things, that is the reason the person who sees "Tobe Hoxie" never forgets it. This play will be the attraction at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

Where to Spend Winter.

Write to the Seaboard Air Line for resort booklets on Pinehurst, Camden and resorts of Florida, which line affords the quickest and best service to all points south and southwest. Address R. H. Stansell, Traveling Passenger Agent, 503 Park building, Pittsburg, Pa.

WHERE MILLIONS ARE MADE.

Interesting Letter That May Mean Much to Residents of Connellsville.

Probably there is not a reader of The Courier who has not heard of the fortunes made in the Beaumont oil fields. While the tales of fortunes quickly made are interesting, they are really not half as valuable to our readers as the following letter from L. K. Preston, president of the Caswell-Preston Drug Company of Beaumont, one of the largest wholesale and retail houses in Texas.

Mr. Preston writes "Enclosed you will find a letter that came to us unsolicited from J. G. Reeves, 770 Pearl street. I have known Mr. Reeves for several years. He is a reliable man and very happy over his fortune.

"About four years ago," writes Mr. Reeves, "I lost the hearing in my right ear and about three or four months ago my left ear became almost as bad. In fact, I was so bad that people had to shout at me to make me hear. I had about given up in despair all hopes of ever recovering my hearing when I saw that you recommended Hyomei. I used two bottles and can now hear my watch tick with either ear, and my hearing is now all right. This deafness must have been caused from catarrh, for it is now cured. Hyomei certainly does what you claim for it."

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Two Recently Elected in U. P. Church Take Their Place Sunday.

PROGRESS OF CONGREGATION

Is Complimented by Dr. Gilchrist Who Preached a Highly Interesting Sermon—Much Has Been Accomplished in Last Year.

Sunday was a gaily day at the United Presbyterian church, as it was the time which was set for the ordination and installation of new eldors. Dr. Alexander Gilchrist, Secretary of the Home Mission Board was present and preached an excellent sermon on the "Elder Son of the Lord's Parable," in which he emphasized the necessity of doing mission work among the intelligent and wealthy of the land. In the sermon he presented the idea that those who had accumulated wealth needed Christ, and the church needed them, and many were willing to come, if the invitation was extended to them.

At the close of the sermon, the pastor, Dr. Huston, stated the steps which had been taken to secure additional members to the session, and that Mr. W. E. Shaw and Dr. J. French Kerr had accepted and were deemed worthy of the office by the session. The edict had been read before the congregation, and an opportunity had been given to any of the members to object, and present reasons why the persons elected should not be inducted into office.

The session had received no objections, and would immediately proceed to induct into office the two persons who had accepted. Dr. Kerr and Mr. Shaw came forward and the pastor proposed to them the querries laid down in the book of discipline, and asked the congregation to stand during the ordination prayer and the laying on of the hands of the members of the court, and installed as a ruling elder in the congregation, and Mr. Shaw who had been ordained as an elder several years ago in the Jeannette congregation was installed a ruling elder in this congregation. The pastor gave the official charge to the new elders, and Dr. Gilchrist addressed the people.

After singing a Doxology and the benediction, the entire congregation came forward and extended the right hand of fellowship to the new officers. Dr. Gilchrist congratulated the congregation on the great success which had been achieved during the past year, and thanked the choir for the good music rendered.

OHIOPYLE.

Notes from the Little Mountain Resort Up the Yough.

Ohiopyle, Dec. 6.—The old time maxim, "There's many a slip twixt the cup and the lip," was vividly portrayed in the minds of many pedestrians in our beautiful little metropolis, Sunday. One particular mind in which this well known saying secured a good hold was that of our well beloved Station Agent, W. B. Conway, who on this slippery morning, undertook to break in a new pair of shoes, which specially brought to bear upon his mind another fact, this fact being that Pride goeth before a fall. His spill happened when he tried to cross the bridge which spans the Yough at this place. Quite a number of persons witnessed his almost impossible start, much to his chagrin. But Mr. Conway was not the only pebble on the beach, as there were others to whom these maxims would apply, although not quite so strongly. Saturday night a rainfall, it being quickly followed by a sleet, which made it very difficult as well as dangerous walking Sunday.

D. Baughman, who is in the employ of the Ohiopyle Lumber Company at Uniontown, spent Sunday at his home at this place. He returned to his work on train No. 13, yesterday.

Charles Lewis, who is employed at Elm Grove, spent Sunday at his home at this place. He returned to his work on train No. 13, yesterday.

Rev. Charlesworth of Confluence, who is holding a revival at this place, preached an able sermon in the M. E. church Sunday evening to a well filled house. His subject was "Eternal Punishement," his text being taken from the 46 ver. of the 25 chap. Matt. The subject, although a very deep one, was ably discussed by Rev. Charlesworth and all present were well pleased with his sermon. The revival services will be continued throughout the week. It is sincerely hoped that many persons will flock to the altar during that time. An all day service will be held tomorrow and all are given a most cordial invitation to attend. Prayer meeting service at 6 A. M. Come one and all.

Ray Moon of McKeesport spent a few hours yesterday in our metropolis and left on train No. 47.

Epworth League services were held as usual in the M. E. church Sunday evening. Miss Martha McFarland was the leader.

The heaviest snowfall of the season here arrived shortly after noon yesterday, and at this writing the beautiful covers the ground to the depth of about three inches and is still falling, with no signs of relinquishing.

H. T. and J. P. Holt of the J. P. Holt Lumber Company, of Elm Grove, spent Sunday at their homes at this place. They had a fine time waiting for No. 49 which was three hours late, Sunday evening.

John Rowan was a caller in town Sunday.

Read The Daily Courier. All the latest news therein.

Robert Cunningham was a business caller in town yesterday.

Abner Skinner was a business caller in town yesterday.

Andrew Shipley of Connellsville arrived last evening on train No. 16 to spend a few days with relatives.

Thomas McFarland spent Sunday with Bidwell friends. He returned yesterday afternoon.

Samuel Dean left on train No. 49 Sunday evening for Elm Grove where he is employed.

Jacob Daniels who is employed at Elm Grove spent Sunday at his home at this place. He left for his work on train No. 47 yesterday.

CONFLUENCE.

Interesting Items From Somerset County's Hustling Town.

Confluence, Dec. 6.—T. M. Fowler of Morrisville, Bucks County, Pa., is working on a sketch of Confluence, a bird's eye view in fact, which is to show comprehensively the whole of the village so that every building can be readily recognized. Messrs. Fowler & Moyer have been in the business of publishing and making of bird's eye views for a number of years and have made many towns and villages, borough and cities of this state as well as others.

Allen Hyatt of Lower Turkeyfoot township delivered a load of corn fodder in our town today. Rough feed is hard to obtain.

Mother Pancoast's bakery is today receiving another car of Connellsville Leader flour.

The Bell long distance telephone pay station is located in Mrs. E. Pancoast's bakery store. They report the company is well pleased with the liberal patronage of the Confluence people.

T. K. Thrasher has two nice hogs to sell. when dressed they will weigh 200 pounds each. Only 7c per pound.

Thrasher & Franiz are about to rent their lunch counter and kitchen to a reliable man who will run a first class restaurant in their pool room, rear end of building.

Don't forget the show at the Opera House Saturday night given by Italian Boys, for benefit of Lutheran church. Usual prices of admission.

The opera house is now equipped with a large hot air furnace which is quite an improvement over the small stoves.

Henry Carter, the genial porter, arrived last night at Hotel Gilchrist, about 9 o'clock. Henry had been porter here for more than three years, but wanted a vacation and after nine months has come back to Confluence to stay.

We are having here in Confluence today the heaviest snow fall of the season. We would have sooner had it in rain, but will wait.

C. P. Decourse, our genial justice of the peace, is still doing business at the old stand.

The station men are kept very busy keeping the electric light switches clean of snow. They are more than keeping the brooms going.

There will be fair sleighing here by tomorrow if the snow continues to fall much longer.

W. J. Laird arrived today and joined his party of engineers who have been working in Confluence for the past week, locating the yard for the Confluence & Morgantown railroad which is now about ready for the contractor.

W. D. Gilchrist, proprietor of Hotel Gilchrist, left on train No 49 last evening and expects to be absent a few days on business.

Isaac M. Hall of Ohiopyle is a business visitor at Confluence today. Hall is looking after a job of cutting timber near Confluence.

Harry G. Spirsnagle of Uniontown is visiting his sister, Mrs. A. C. Stow, on Myers street, Confluence.

Henry Clay Notes.

Butchering is the order of the day.

Rev. Sipes, a minister from Addison township, is holding protracted meetings at Mt. Zion church situated about three miles from Confluence. He has got twelve converts already and we hope he may get more.

The Fayette County Teachers will have a week vacation as their County Institute will be on the 12th of December. This is always an enjoyable event for the teachers of the county.

Frank Hay of Rockwood and Miss Amanda Snyder of Fort Hill were welcome visitors at the home of Andrew McNair in Henry Clay township a couple of days last week. They two seemed to enjoy themselves very much much in old Fayette county. They attended church at Mt Zion a few nights.

Messrs. George McNair, Frank Hay and William Close, Misses Katie McNair and Amanda Snyder visited the Flannigan school on Monday afternoon and was entertained to the uttermost by hearing the pupils recite and by their teacher, Ray E. Walker. Mr. Walker is a Somerset county man who has been teaching for the past two years in Henry Clay township, Fayette county, with good success as a teacher.

The corner stone of the new court house of Somerset county was laid last Wednesday at 12:45 o'clock. A large crowd was there to witness the sight.

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE.

Coming Attractions at Colonial and Connellsville Theatres.

Ernest Lamson, a young actor who made quite a name for himself while a member of the late James A. Herne's companies, has written and is now starring in a pretty little country play called "Tobe Hoxie", which comes to the Colonial Theatre tonight. The piece is a homely portrayal of life in the smaller towns of Southern Illinois and is said, by able critics, to be one of the cleanest and most pleasing country plays ever produced.

In his play Mr. Lamson presents a number of characters that are a novelty to those who have seen other comedies of rural life. It was something of a mystery as to the origin of these characters, until Mr. Lamson in an interview one day admitted that he had found them right in his old home town, Half Day, Ill.

The members of the Hoxie family Tobe, Mary, her husband and the old man Hoxie are all taken from life. Of course their names are not "Hoxie" nor anything like that, but even the name was taken from a real family whom Lamson knew during the early years of his life.

There is just one episode in the play of "Tobe Hoxie" which does not tally with those of the lives from which they were taken. That is in regard to the married life of Tobe's sister, Mary and her husband. In the play Mary is married to a worthless rogue, who not only refuses to support her, but is unfaithful to her into the bargain. He is also a drunkard and a gambler.

All this is Hole in the case of Mary's counterpart original, for in the first place, the real Mary is as yet unmarried and is just three years old

The Holy City.

Not for years has so grand a dramatic production visited our city as Gordan and Bennett's Jerusalem. "The Holy City," which was presented to almost the capacity of City Opera House Friday evening by Gordon & Bennett's excellent company under the able management of Edward Taylor. The solemn and beautiful story of John the Baptist, Jesus of Nazareth and the twelve disciples just before and after the terrible tragedy of Gethsemane was graphically portrayed and there was no lack of appropriate scenery to assist, even though the local stage was so small as to cause some good stagemen's work to hang the large drops.

The cast is a well chosen one, each and every character being most excellently taken.

The dramatic situations were well arranged by the playwright, the dance of death and the curse of Elizabeth upon the house of Herod in the first act, when her son's head was brought in the ring on a tray, being the most thrilling climax. The Crucifixion in the third act, and John's resurrection from the dead, followed by that of the Messiah are beautiful and instructive. The large and decidedly representative audience was more than pleased with the entire production.—Gallon Leader of September 30. At Colonial Theatre, December 9.

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State of Pennsylvania, county of Fayette, ss:

Before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public within and for said county and State, personally appeared John H. Litmer, who being duly sworn according to law, did depose and say:

That he is foreman of the press room of The Courier, a daily newspaper published in Connellsville, Pa., and that the number of papers printed and circulated during the week ending Saturday, December 3, 1904, was as follows:

Nov. 28	3,507
Nov. 29	3,510
Nov. 30	3,503
Dec. 1	3,504
Dec. 2	3,504
Dec. 3	3,533

And further sayeth not.

JOHN H. LITMER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of December, 1904.

JOHN KURTZ, Notary Public.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 6, 1904.

THE MESSAGE.

The President's Message betrays the scholar and the statesman. It is not a cabinet message. Its every line and sentence is characteristic of the writer.

During the recent campaign, the only objections urged against Roosevelt were that he was an o'er young man for Chief Magistrate of this pussiant nation, and that, in addition, he led the strenuous life. It was feared that he would be hasty. It was alleged that his blood was hot. Vivid pictures of grim and bloody war, desolated firesides, devastation and ruin, wrought by his strenuous statesmanship, were painted by Mister Parker's political orators and served up to the American voters during the campaign. Emperor William of Germany, the War Lord of Europe, was the Man with the Hoe, compared with the savage and bloodthirsty cowboy whom the accident of assassination had uplifted to the Presidency.

But the people didn't believe this concoction of Democratic mendacity. So utterly did they disbelieve it, and so thoroughly did they believe in and admire a manly man, that Theodore Roosevelt had the largest popular vote ever cast for a President of the United States.

The message we print this morning shows how wise was the judgment of the people about the character of the man they chose to stand at the head of the government for the coming four years, and how false were the accusations of the Party of Opposition. The message is a complete and statesmanlike review of the condition of the country and a keen analysis of its needs in the way of legislation. It is something every public spirited man ought to read and carefully consider.

It seems that Andy's name is on the notes, but it has not yet been decided whether Andy or some other fellow did the writing.

The new Fire Marshal is a member of the McCormick family and is married to a Marietta. The McCormicks and the Mariettas have been at the head of the fire-fighting brigade ever since this town was big enough to have a fire, and nobody ever disputed their ability in leadership.

The postal facilities have been increased on one of the rural routes. The country is growing as well as the town.

The trolley company seems to think the South Side people prefer to walk in the winter season, and they certainly will walk in preference to waiting half an hour for a car. It's healthy to walk, but awfully unhealthy for the revenues of a public service corporation.

The Connellsville teachers will get their money in time to go to the institute. The Uniontown landlords will get it later.

The trackless trolley has been pronounced a success in Germany, but the trolleyless track is most unsatisfactory.

FAYETTE CITY.

Current Events from Over On the Monongahela River.

Fayette City, Dec. 6.—The steam ferry that is being put in between Allenport and this place will be quite an improvement over the old method, but will not help things much when the river is frozen. What we should have is a free bridge. The ferry will be completed in another week.

Mrs. Orthelia McCune was visiting at Pittsburg from Saturday until Monday.

Clayton Arison of Lock No. 4 was a Fayette City caller Saturday.

Clayton Dibler of Greensburg well gave a lecture in the opera house at this place on Wednesday, December 8. His subject will be "Things Better Than Gold." Music will be furnished by Mrs McCullough's celebrated choir. Admission 25c, children 10.

Miss Goldie Moyer, who is teaching at this place, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Brownsville.

The Lady Maccabees, of this place, gave a surprise party on Mrs. Backus on Saturday evening. They were all loaded down with good things to eat. About 25 members were present and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

Alex McCready and wife of this place were visiting at the home of Mr. McCready's mother, of Naomi on Sunday.

Miss Estella Brightwell, who is attending the Douglas College at Monessen, was visiting at her home here Sunday.

Rev. L. A. Johnson of the Christian church of this place left Monday morning for a month's visit at the home of his parents, in Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. B. F. Pfleghardt of Roscoe was visiting at the home of John Pfleghardt of this place Sunday.

William Woods of Monessen was a Fayette City caller Sunday.

Miss Lula Ingram of this place spent Sunday with friends at Brownsville.

Miss Mabel Evans was visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Hardley Jones, of Charleroi Sunday.

Mrs. John Knight of Allenport was calling on friends in Fayette City on Saturday.

John J. White lectured here Sunday afternoon and evening to a fair sized audience, on the subject of "Single Tax."

The Fayette City Association football team defeated the strong Black Diamond aggregation here Saturday in one of the fastest games ever seen in this section, the final score being 2 to 1.

The Fayette City Rugby team defeated the Arnold High School team in a one sided contest here Saturday afternoon. The score was 29 to 0. This was the last game of the Rugby team this season.

L. H. Walters, wife and family of Charleroi were visiting friends in Fayette City Sunday.

Hugh Murphy of Woodglen was in Fayette City on business yesterday.

George Elliott of Jefferson township was a Fayette City caller on Saturday.

George Boyd and sister Viola were calling on friends in Fayette City on Saturday.

Mrs. James Hawker was able to leave her bed Friday for the first time since she was injured by falling on the street on the 8th of November.

Miss Jane Kissinger spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Brownsville.

J. W. Portzman, our popular undertaker, was at Roscoe on business on Saturday.

Mrs. H. M. Garee of Jefferson township was a Fayette visitor on Friday.

M. H. Crowley was at Caarleroi on business on Saturday.

Miss Blanche Brightwell, who is attending school at California spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents of this place.

OLIPHANT.

Interesting News Letter From the Little Coke Town.

Oliphant, Dec 5—Chris Bryant, an aged and respectable Englishman, while seated on a rocking chair in front of the fire at the home of Mrs. Edward Kelley died at 11:30 Wednesday night, November 30th. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of his sudden death. Chris followed coal mining for his support. His face will be missed among his old friends, not only here but all over the community where he was known. Just a few days before he died papers were made out and sent to Washington, D. C., in an endeavor to get him a pension. But his earthly work is done and he has gone to receive his reward. There were no relatives to claim the body and it was shipped to Philadelphia.

TOOK CHRISTMAS TURKEY.

H. M. Kerr Is Also Out Five Fine Chickens.

H. M. Kerr, president of the Connellsville Planing Mill Company, received a severe shock this morning. He had a fine turkey that he was feeding up for a fine Christmas dinner, when last night some person or persons entered his chicken roost in the rear of his South Arch street residence and took the turkey away. Five chickens were also secured at the same time and Mr. Kerr is now on the lookout for another turkey to fatten.

The marauders left not the slightest clew to their identity.

To Southern Climes.

Beginning Oct. 15, the B. & O. R. R. Company will sell winter excursion tickets to the resorts of Florida, the Carolinas, and other States in the South and Southwest, at greatly reduced rates. For specific rates, limits and other conditions of tickets, consult any ticket agent.

NEW HAVEN COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting Was Held on Monday Evening.

New Haven Town Council met Monday evening in regular session, all members being present. President R. F. Sheppard presided. The Burgess' and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted. The following bills were paid:

A. P. Tarr, police, 55; Edward Hay, laborer, $18.00; Isaac Hay, laborer, $15.30; George Hahn, laborer, $13.13; Orlie Hay, laborer, $13.26; Cooper Patterson, $46.85. A bill of the Connellsville Water Company was referred to the Finance Committee for investigation. C. M. Miller, for hauling gas $23.25. A bill of 75c presented by Joseph Smith for the moving of a cart was carried over and will be investigated by Policeman Tarr. J. R. Balsley moved and Alex McBeth seconded a motion that an ordinance be adopted granting a franchise to the new Star Gas Company.

It was moved by Balsley and seconded by McBeth that $500 be taken from the paving fund and placed to the credit of the general fund. Balsley also moved that $500 be drawn in favor of the borough treasurer from the sewer fund to pay a bond due on the sewer fund.

John Johnson appeared before Council making a complaint in regard to obstructions in the rear of his property, he having notice from Council to remove the same from the alley. Councilman McBeth moved that the street committee investigate the matter and report at the next Council meeting. The time of meeting during the months of January, February, March and April, 1905, will be changed from 8 o'clock until 7:30. Attorney S. R. Goldsmith, the newly elected borough solicitor, was present and made a very neat address thanking the Council for his election.

HOOPER ELECTED

To Vacancy on the New Haven School Board Monday.

At the regular meeting of the New Haven School Board held Monday evening, T. H. Hooper of the firm of Norris & Hooper, was elected to succeed Director Frank Kincell, who resigned at the last meeting.

Owing to the holidays commencing Monday, the teachers' salaries were ordered to be paid Friday. A few small bills were ordered to be paid. The absent members were Hotzel and Whitman.

Lost.

LOST.—A LITTLE BROWN DOG. Reward if returned to U. S. Express Office. 6dec2td

To Let.

TO LET—FOUR-ROOM HOUSE, GAS and water $12 per month. Inquire of J. C. LYTLE, 122 W. Main street. 5dec4td

TO LET—THREE ROOM HOUSE COR. East Main street and Connell alley; rent $10. For particulars call up 381, ring 2, Bell Phone. 17nov4tf

Wanted.

WANTED—A FIRST CLASS MEAT cutter. Good wages to the right party. Apply at once at the RELIABLE MEAT MARKET, North Pittsburg street. nov28tfd

For Sale.

FOR SALE.—ONE HAMMOND TYPEwriter, only in use six month, good as new, will sell on easy payments. Call at H. KURTZ, JR., opposite B. & O. depot, Connellsville, Pa. 6dec1td

For Rent.

FOR RENT—ONE 5-ROOM HOUSE, with gas, electric light and all modern conveniences. Inquire of H. C. HAYS, care Storb House. 2dec1td

FOR RENT.—HOUSE WITH THREE large rooms, on East Main Street, in good condition. Call Bell Phone 281, ring 2. nov.6tfd

FOR RENT.—TWO HOUSES ON SEVenth street New Haven, Pa. Gas and water. Apply to J. E. JOHNSON, corner Seventh and Main streets, New Haven. nov30tfd

Proposals for Immediate Removal.

THE COLONIAL BANK INVITES bids for the purchase of and immediate removal of the building occupying the southeast corner of Main and Pittsburg streets, the site of the new bank building. All proposals to be sent to L. P. Ferrill, President Colonial National Bank, Connellsville, Pa. 3dec2td

FOR SALE!

11 room boarding house close to Tin Mill, only one out there. The mill starting up. Splendid chance. $2,300; $300 down, balance $27.00 per month. Worth $3,500.

JOS. A. MASON,
Corner Main and Arch Streets,
CONNELLSVILLE, PENN'A.
Sri-State 'Phone 293.

FOR SALE.

House of 8 large rooms and hall, centrally located and suitable for boarding house. Price $2,300. Terms, $1,000 down and balance in monthly payments.

New 5-room house in Snydertown. Price, $1,000. One-half cash and time on balance.

House of 6 rooms nicely located on South Side. Price, $2,400.

Good 5-room house in New Haven on a desirable street, fruit trees and stable on lot. Price, 2,500.

S. M. Hutchinson,
Turner Building, Connellsville.

THIS STORE WILL BE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS.

DUNN'S CASH STORES

129, 131, 133 N. PITTSBURG STREET, CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Western Pennsylvania—Snow flurries and followed by fair Tuesday; Wednesday fair and warmer; fresh west winds.

ALL THOUGHTS —ON— Christmas Shopping,

And the first thought should be to use the morning hours. You will be well repaid in the comfort enjoyed by turning out a little earlier. From now on we are open evenings, but that's partly for the benefit of the men. Because this is a woman's store it is the place above all for the men to do their holiday shopping. Made arrangements and plans for those men who are thoughtful enough to give useful presents.

Dress Goods and Silks

Among the presents to feminine relatives there should be included a Dress, or a Skirt, or a Waist Pattern. Women are always pleased with such a gift. Such a gift may start in price at $3.50 and go almost as high as you want, with plenty to choose from at at every price. Do your choosing now and we will deliver your choice when you say so.

The Christmas Handkerchiefs

Ready by the thousands for men, women and boys and girls. A showing larger than this store ever had before. As for prices, handkerchiefs are here for from 5c to $2.00 each. A Handerchief Bargain here now, 100 dozen to retail at 10c each that are worth 15c. All the Handkerchiefs on tables in the Cloak Room.

Table Linens for Gifts

Best of Linen by the yard or in sets. Bleached, commencing at $1 the yard and up to $2.50 patterns that cannot help but please. Napkins to match if you want them.

Christmas Umbrellas

Rainy season coming, but anyhow an umbrella is always an acceptable gift. As a Christmas Special we have a Children's Umbrella, natural wood handles, and good quality Gloria at $1 each, worth almost a half more. Ladies' Umbrellas start at $2.50 and stop at $10.00. The largest assortment we ever had to show.

Christmas Gloves

Color and size assortments complete. Gloves at $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 the pair, the kinds that you want to buy. If you make a mistake in the size we'll exchange them after Christmas, and every pair we sell is guaranteed.

Leather Novelties

Burnt Leather and Burnt Wood, Match Safes, Pocket Books, Memorandum Books and so on. Articles from 25c up to $6.00. Pretty and acceptable gifts that are useful as well.

From the Coat Room

The stock in this department will be kept as complete as possible up until Christmas, but best to do your choosing as soon as possible, especially will this be true of the Furs and the Children's Coats. If it is to be a Suit give us all the time you can for any little alterations that may be necessary.

We have mentioned but a few of the many things we have here for gifts. You can so easily do your share towards making this the happiest Christmas that ever came to this vicinity. So many things that you can give that cost so little, yet will be appreciated so much. A warm suit of Underwear, a couple of pairs of Stockings, a year's subscription to the Delineator. You'll be the happier for thinking of such things. Take time to visit the store now.

DUNN'S CASH STORES

Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1904.

B. & B.

what to buy

When 21 ladies, selected from different cities of various states of the United States between the Mississippi River and the Atlantic Ocean were asked for a list of ten different articles they preferred to give as Christmas Gifts, it was found that Books, Jewelry, Handkerchiefs, Miscellaneous Furniture, Gloves, Toys, Clothing, Collars, Fancy Work, Manicure Sets, Stationery, Table and Toilet Linen, Perfumery, Pictures, Silverware, Umbrellas and Pocketbooks led the list in the order named.

Perhaps that will aid your selection.

Large choice assortments of all these priced on a small profit basis.

All $1.50 copyright Books $1.08.

BOGGS & BUHL, Allegheny, Pa.

—HE—

who selects a suit from one of our present stock of fine fabrics will be gratified at the

STYLISH EFFECT

of the garment. We give wonderfull fine materials and an exceedingly large stock to choose from. Suits for all occasions stylishly made.

H. J. BOSLETT,
Bell Phone 388, 133 West Main Street, Connellsville Pa.

E. E. MORRIS, G. O. ARMSTRONG, L. L. WEST.
MORRIS & CO.,
UNDERTAKERS.
242 North Pittsburg Street,
Bell Phone, 32. Opp. Opera House. Tri-State, 147.
CHAS. C. MITCHELL,
Funeral Director and Embalmer.
Night calls answered at the Office.

EXERCISE

Adds to Your Health and Improves Your Looks.

To secure both you need any exercising outfit. We have a full line of boxing gloves, striking bags, dumb bells, Indian clubs, foot balls, fencing foils, guns and hunting outfits.

Columbia Bargain Store,
WM. HERZBERG,
140 West Main Street, Connellsville

W. L. CORBIN,
THE LICENSED GARBAGE MAN,
Residence 304 Connell Avenue. Bell Phone 315.

CARPET LAYING.
Old and new carpets laid. Curtains and shades hung on short notice.
JNO. BRUNSON,
P. O. Box 141, NEW HAVEN, PA.
Formerly with I. Aaron and E. Dunn

J. E. SIMS,
Funeral Director and Embalmer.
Store, Bell Phone 168; Tri-State, 246; residence, Bell Phone, 160; Tri State, 259.

E. E. ROSS
206 Peach St., one door above Baltimore House, Connellsville, Pa.
NEW and SECOND-HAND GOODS Bought and sold on small margin
Watch Cleaning, 50c. Watch Springs, 50c

CHRYSANTHEMUMS
$1.25 a Dozen at
Shomer's, 205 E. Fairview Ave. Both Phones
Carnations 40c doz. Roses 75c doz. 25 per cent discount on funeral work

WEAR HORNER'S CLOTHING

HOLIDAYS GOODS. 106 CHRISTMAS TOYS.

Christmas Time Is Coming

and Boys and Girls are writing Santa Claus what they want at Christmas. Here is a list of articles Santa can secure for his many boys and girls if he will call early. Write your letter to-day so he won't be delayed.

Toy Furniture,	Cradles for Dolly,
Fire Engines,	Dreams,
Hook and Ladder,	Ten Pins,
Animals,	Building Blocks,
Mechanical Toys,	Tree Ornaments,
Whirl-a-Mobile,	Steam Engines,
Dolls,	Horses,
Ships,	Iron Fences,
Games,	Merry Go Round.
Crokinole Boards,	

Handkerchiefs--We could not mention all the different styles, so we invite you to come in and examine our line. You will not be disappointed. Prices ranging from 1c to $1 each.

Table Linen--For Christmas. Bleached or unbleached. Extra good values for the money. Prices 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50 a yard.

Napkins--Everybody needs them, everyone appreciates Napkins at Christmas time. Prices 60c to $4.50 a dozen.

Ladies' Walking Skirts

$5.50 cut to $3.98
6.75 " " 4.50
9.50 " " 6.50
4.50 " " 2.98
7.75 " " 6.50

Plain and fancy styles excellent values. These prices good until all cleaned out. Just 52 in the lot.

Jackets and Coats--Long or short, in plush, at very low prices. Large line of Ladies' and Misses' short jackets, $4.98 to $10; some at one-half their former price. A large line of Browns, Tans and Blacks in three-fourth lengths, some 52 inches long, $10.00 to $19.50, every one a bargain.

Black Silk Waists--$5.50, $5.75, $4.98, $3.75, all at one-fourth off. The greatest offer ever made by us in Black Silk Waists.

Our Dress Goods at cut prices are attracting great interest. Don't miss seeing them. Coupons or Green Stamps go with these.

Silks--Fancies or Plaids for Shirt Waist or whole suits, 75c, 85c, $1.00 and $1.10.

Tablecloths--Brand new 10-4 fringed, with 1 dozen Napkins, $2.75. Table Cloths and Napkins, sets slightly soiled, $6.50, cut to $5.50. These are great values.

Christmas Novelties--A large line of Fancy Christmas Novelties at very low prices.

Open evenings from December 12th until Christmas.

Leche, Buckwalter & Co.,
One-Price STORE.

In Every Detail

Men will find our $5 Shoes to be perfect. The careful selection of the leathers assures you of the best service. The skilled workmanship allows of only solid comfort and entire satisfaction in every pair. The Shoes are made upon honor, sold on their merits, and guaranteed to please the wearer in every way. If you want the best Shoe possible for $5 in any of the new styles, you can get them at

Norris & Hooper
104 W. Main St.

A Suggestion for Santa Claus

That gas is the best, cleanest and most economical fuel for cooking purposes has met with universal confirmation by all who so use gas. No longer a theory but a proved fact. The practibility is no longer denied and a gas range has become an absolute essential to every well regulated kitchen. All information cheerfully furnished by

F. T. EVANS,
Electrical Contractor & Engineer, Connellsville, Pa

RAIN

Is what we need just at present, and when it comes we need Shoes, Shoes that will keep the dampness from your feet—Shoes that will wear. We have them in all the leathers and styles. Shoes that are made to give comfort, ease and satisfaction.

JOHN IRWIN,
130 N. Pittsburg St., Connellsville, Pa.
"RELIABLE FOOTWEAR."

THE NEWS OF DUNBAR.

Daniel Hair Has Peculiar Experience With Robber Sunday Night.

POPE BRICK CO. IMPROVEMENTS

Bright Local and Personal Chat and Brief Paragraphs Picked Up by The Courier's Correspondent in the Furnace Town.

Dunbar, Dec. 6.—A gum band that encircled a pocketbook in the pocket of Daniel Hair on last Sunday night by fastening on another book in his pocket is partly due to the fact that Mr. Hair today has in his possession the pocketbook and its contents. An attempt was made to rob Hair while sound asleep in a furnished room over the livery stable of Hair Bros. on Sunday night. Hair had sent one of his men out with a team and expecting him to return in a short while, he went up to his room and without removing his clothing lay down upon the bed and went to sleep. He had not more than gone to sleep until he was aroused by a touch on the shoulder. He gave the matter no thought and turned over and went off into another doze. He was again aroused by something pulling at his clothing and turned over. In a half dazed condition he raised up and felt for his pocketbook which was half way out of his pocket. At the same instant he heard an unknown person rush through the darkness and in one leap the fleeing burglar scaled the stairway and was out into the darkness making his escape. A man employed by Hair Bros., and occupying another room in the building was aroused by the noise and he arose and started a search but was unable to locate his man. While there is no clue to the would-be robber it is thought that the unknown person was some one that in some way was acquainted with the place and knew that Mr. Hair had his pocketbook on his person.

If, however, the attempt was made to rob Hair by one of those who have committed or had a hand in the numerous robberies here of late, they are becoming bolder and are being schooled by their experience.

Several of our citizens are attending court at the county seat this week and they will be joined by a great army of instructors next week

Word was received Sunday of the death of Miss Mary Blythe, of Pittsburg, which occurred Saturday evening, she being a sister of W. A. Blythe of this place, Mr. Blythe was with her when she passed to the great beyond. Mrs. Blythe and daughter, Miss Edyth left yesterday to attend the funeral.

Joseph Reagan and Morris Logan of Tom Run were visiting relatives here over Sunday.

J. D. Sturgis of Pittsburg paid our town a business call Monday morning.

Miller Dunway, who has seen service in the army for his country, left yesterday morning for Marion, Ind., where he will enter the "Soldiers Home for the coming winter.

Mrs. W. K. Hoffman of Morgantown, W. Va., is the guest of relatives in Dunbar township for a few days.

The Pope Cement & Brick Company have installed a new air compressor at there stone quarries which are located about two miles above the furnace. The drills used will now be operated by compressed air. The machinery was placed in position last Saturday and everything moved off very satisfactory. The quarries are now the best equipped of any in Western Pennsylvania and they are enjoying a large trade. Stone in the rough and block, also screenings are being shipped all over the country. The firm employ about 95 men. The plant is ably and efficiently superintended by R. D. Jones and an assistant, Mr. William Brant.

The meetings that have been going on in the M. P. church the last two weeks, or ever since the opening of the special home camp-meeting services, are still to be continued during this week. There is a manifest spiritual awakening among the people as a number have already declared their desire to lead a new and better life. A number of others have made a request that they be remembered in the prayers of the Christian people, therefore Rev. F. W. Perkins, the pastor, who has been conducting the services deemed that it was best that the meetings continue this week.

The Grand Worthy Chief Templer of the order of the Good Templer's was in our midst recently trying to place on foot a movement to organize a branch of the order here. His efforts met with some marked success and it will be arranged for in the near future to have a Rev. Shellenberger of Pittsburg to appear here and endeavor to form the organization. The exact time has not been definitely arranged for but it will probably be during the present month or early in the new year.

Robert Price, a clerk in George H. Swearingen's department store, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Price at Fairchance.

James L. Wilson, deliveryman for S. R. Hews & Co., was called to Rice's Landing yesterday by the death of a brother-in-law. Mr. Wilson's son will fill his position while gone.

R. A. Reeve and Mr. Anderson of Connellsville were in Dunbar yesterday in the interest of the Prudential Life Insurance Company.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live Local News From All Parts of the Town.

Miss Nell P. Brown of Eighth street has issued cards for a euchre to be held Friday evening, December 8.

Other banks simply promise to pay 2 per cent. on checking accounts. We don't promise only, we actually pay it. Come and do business with us. No class distinction. 2 per cent. interest paid on balances of $1.00 or more Colonial National Bank of Connellsville, opposite Wyman Hotel.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church will meet on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Grant Myers on Porter avenue.

The finest line of writing paper in town at R. E. Porter & Bro.

A meeting of the Young People's Society of the Presbyterian church will be held Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Beulah Francis on East Main street.

Call at J. M. Young's Grocery on South Side and get a good drink of choicest Mocha & Java Coffee free Wednesday, December 7th. We will have a lady there on this day demonstrating the "Sultan Brand" of coffee.

Mrs. W. L. Sutherland of Morgantown was the guest of friends in town on Sunday.

All the latest books at W. E. Tannehill & Bro. at $1 25

Miss Carrie McFarland of Vanderbilt was shopping in town Monday evening.

Wanted, an office boy. Apply at the office of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company at South Connellsville.

J. S. McKee, teller in the Yough National Bank, was in Uniontown today on business.

Holiday Books and stationery at W. E. Tannehill & Bro

Ralph Jarrett and Winifred Davis were over from Scottdale Sunday.

Attorney S. R. Goldsmith is attending court in Uniontown this week.

Home dressed hogs at W. S. Kreger's meat market, 7c per pound.

Miss Edna Duncan of Dunbar was in town Monday.

Dr. Claud B. Anderson, dentist, rooms 202 and 205, Title and Trust building.

C E Rowan of Eleventh street spent Sunday with relatives at Ohiopyle.

Miss Grace Moore of Vanderbilt was shopping in town Monday.

W. E. Tannehill & Bro. are agents for the Oliver Typewriter and Paul E. Wirt fountain pens.

J. I. Feather of Uniontown was in town Monday on business.

Jacob McFarland and daughter, Miss Della, were down from Dunbar on Monday.

The First National Bank of Connellsville has a surplus more than double its capital. Pays interest on checking accounts at 2 per cent., on savings accounts at 4 per cent.

Miss Clara Phillippi of Uniontown was the guest of friends in Connellsville Sunday.

Miss Jennie Watt of Dunbar was a visitor in town today.

Miss Badger, manicurist, room 203 First National Bank building. Bell phone 58, ring 2.

Mrs. S. B. Dobie of Johnston avenue and sister, Mis Robert Orr, of Lonacoming, Md., were the guests of Mrs D. M. Jacobs of Dunbar on Monday.

You can get all of the latest books at R. E. Porter & Bro.

L. M. Mace and J. C. Myer, of Mace & Co., are in Pittsburg today on business.

The Citizens National Bank of Connellsville, 138 North Pittsburg street, Markell building, will pay 2 per cent. on checking accounts and 4 per cent. on savings accounts. Your business is solicited

Mrs. Walter Simmons of Dunbar was in town Monday.

Office and school supplies at W. E. Tannehill & Bro.

Miss Ella Byers of Dunbar was among the out of town shoppers in Connellsville Monday.

NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters From the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoke and two children of Whitsell were in town on Monday calling on friends.

Henry Rhodes, of Rhodes & Smith, was in Smithfield Monday.

Miss Delilah Rowan of Juniataville was the guest of Mrs. James McGloin of Hotel Columbia Sunday

Mr. Hughes, yard foreman for the H C. Frick Coke Company at Trotter, is ill of pneumonia.

Mrs. Louis Heurich of Dunbar was the guest of Mrs. C. S. Smith of Sixth street Monday.

C. J. Woodward of Uniontown was in town Monday on business.

Dr. and Mrs. Austin Baltz of Broad Ford were visitors in town Monday.

Mrs W. P. Wright of Adelaide was shopping in town Monday.

Mrs John Mulvehill of Moyer was in town Monday.

Misses Mabel and Sarah Long of First street have returned home from a week's visit with friends in Washington, Pa

Mr and Mrs. Andrew Lindsey of Mt. Pleasant were the guests of Mrs. Mary Sneddon of Main street on Sunday.

Miss Garnet Marchand of Fourth street was the guest of Miss Helen French of Davidson Monday evening.

Mrs. Mary Branthoover of Scottdale is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W H. Thomas and Mrs. Elizabeth Marchand.

Mrs. Sarah Rowland of near Uniontown was the guest of friends in New Haven Saturday

The unclaimed letters advertised by Postmaster S. B. Sicklesmith for the week ending Thursday, December 1, are as follows: Mrs. Margaret Artman, Thomas Adams, Patrick Adams, J W. C. Brown, William Brock, Austin Barrett, C B Casewald, Joseph Clark, Albert Edward, F. Henderson, Thomas Haines and Miss Etta Tissue.

FAIRCHANCE.

Bright Chat From Fayette County's Longest Borough.

Fairchance, Dec. 5.—Walter Byerly, an extra conductor on the P. R. R., while unloading some freight, a whiskey barrel slipped and rolled against him breaking his leg below the knee, train.

He was brough home on an extra

Dr. A. S Hagan was a business caller in Uniontown today

The little daugter of Zion Christopher who has been ill so long with pneumonia, passed away yesterday. Deceased was three years old.

Miss Lizzie Laughrey took worse last night.

The Sons of America will initiate seven new members tonight.

It is reported that James Bolen died today, but we are not certain as to the truth of the statement.

There is some talk of a brewery being built here this winter.

There is a man by the name of Harry Bishoff in the lockup for being drunk

Walter Byerley's limb has been set and he is resting very easy.

Ladies' Circle Meeting.

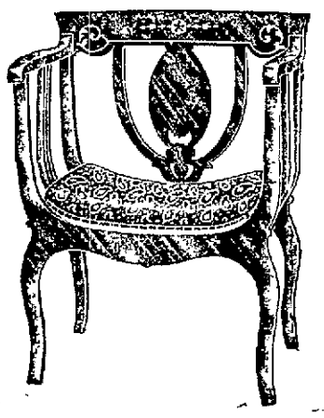
A regular meeting of the Ladies' Circle of the G. A. R. will be held in Odd Fellows' Hall Thursday afternoon. All the members are urged to be present, as there will be nomination and election of officers.

To Make **Christmas a Bright Day**

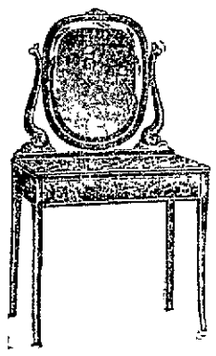
HERE is a house that is sincerely desirous of extending you material aid in the purchase of practical household gifts. To accord you long time credit on goods you intend to give away, is the taking of still another step to free you from the restrictions of the past. Ancient ideas made installment credit repulsive, but in the form we offer it to you it is dignified, decent and desirable.

NOW when it is applied to articles intended as Christmas offerings it paves the way for much nicer, much more practical presents than you could possibly afford to pay cash for. Please get it in your head that we are following the "Live and Let Live" policy. The more we can do for you the better you like us, and we cannot fail to reap the benefit due.

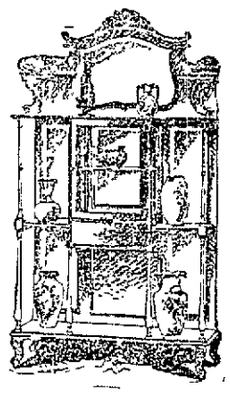
Deliveries Made Direct to the Recipient. Goods Bought Now Held for Future Delivery.



Fancy Parlor Chair.
(exactly like cut), the greatest special we have ever offered. The frame of this chair is of mahoganized birch, hand rubbed and polished; is most beautiful in design, having round back, shaped front and French legs. The spring seat is built on a guaranteed construction and upholstered in the newest patterns of verona. One of the most suitable articles in our establishment for a holiday gift, Special price... **$9.75**

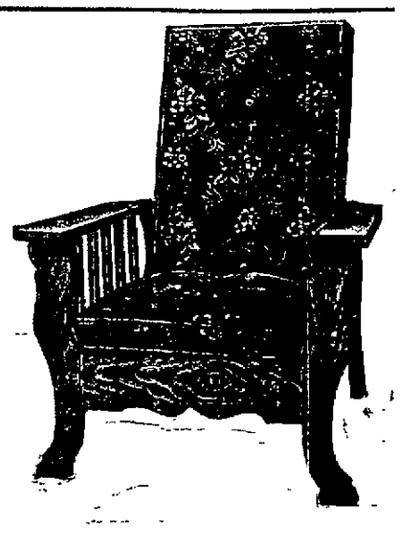


Pretty Dressing Tables.
A complete line in oak, imitation mahogany and solid mahogany. All the new, choice and pretty styles that captivate the fancy of the ladies. Prices range $8.50 to **$40**

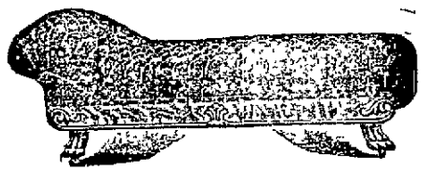


Curio Cabinets.
A large assortment of exceptionally choice designs in solid mahogany, with fine floral decorations, glass shelves, carved sides bevel plate top, pink silk plush lined. Prices $75 to..... **$10**

Music Cabinets.
A handsome beautifier at a small cost. Our line of Music Cabinets is by far the largest of any in the county. The finest Mahogany Cabinets at $45 down to plain ones that are only..... **$6.00**



New Morris Chair.
(exactly like cut.) Unquestionably the finest article in a Morris Chair that has ever been offered to the public. This chair, which is exactly like cut, is built of heavy, solid quarter sawed oak, beautifully flaked and highly polished. Has large, broad arms, full carved front and heavy claw feet. Spring seat is built on a guaranteed steel construction; the cushions are made of reversible velour and in assorted patterns of figured and blocked designs. Special price on this chair is..... **$9.75**

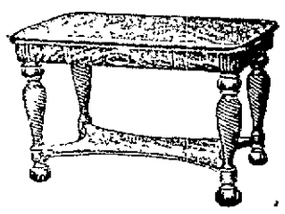


Handsome Couches.
(Exactly like cut.) This couch is upholstered in fabricord leather, an article which we absolutely guarantee against cracking or peeling. We will guarantee the wear of this couch the same as our genuine leather couches. Upholstering is of hair, with full duck bottom. Is built on a guaranteed steel construction. The frame is of solid quarter sawed oak, beautifully polished and has heavy claw feet. Price..... **$14.75**

One entire room devoted to couches, comprising a small store in itself. Most of our designs are exclusive. We solicit a call, no matter what kind of a couch you desire. Prices from $5.45 to $120.

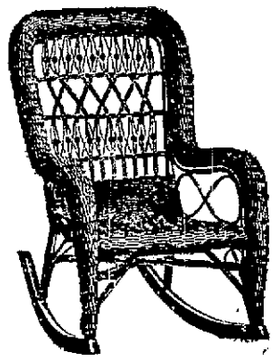
Combination Bookcase & Desk.
Not of the cheapest grade, and yet not expensive at the price asked. It's quite a handsome case, made of finest heavy flaked quartered oak; or specially selected birch; interior finished throughout, desk apartment has pigeon holes and drawers. Real value $30; our special holiday price... **$18.50**

Quartered Oak Rocker.
A masterpiece of superb workmanship, firm construction and finest artistic taste, in a commodious, handsome and unusually comfortable rocker. This rocker is a shapely and massive creation of golden quartered oak polished to a bright splendor. Nothing to equal it in solidity of construction or splendor of form or design ever offered at our price..... **$10**



Library Table.
This elegant library table (like cut) full quarter sawed oak or genuine mahogany, highest grade workmanship. Top is 42x26 inches. Piano polish finish. Platform underneath. Beveled corners. Beautiful in appearance; durable in wear. Only..... **$15.75**

Our line of library and parlor tables is exceptionally large. All the best and latest designs can be seen on our floor.



Willow Rockers
In a great variety of styles and at low prices. They make very acceptable Christmas presents.

A Buffet Board.
Superb finish and artistic design and judicious arrangements of sections. It is constructed of quarter sawed oak. It is 45 inches wide, large beveled mirror. It is serpentine in outline and is covered with grotesque carvings. The entire piece is finished in a piano-like brilliancy and is certainly a marvel at..... **$24**

Oak Extension Table.
Built of choice grained oak, highly polished. Has 48-inch top and extends six feet. Very heavy pedestal and finely carved claw feet. At the low price of..... **$14.75**

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—IF YOU ARE—

LOOKING FOR BARGAINS!

We will ask you to look over the following prices. Come in and examine the goods and be convinced that they are geuine bargains, and that we can save you money. These are all new goods and the prices are 20 to 25 per cent. less than you can buy them elsewhere.

4 cans pumpkin	25c	8 lbs rolled oats	25c
4 cans green or wax beans	25c	10 lbs hominy	25c
3 cans New York state corn	25c	7 lbs pure buckwheat flour	25c
3 cans whole ripe tomatoes	25c	4 lbs stewing figs	25c
2 cans Bartlett pears	25c	2 lbs layer figs	25c
4 lbs new lima beans	25c	3 lbs good mince meat	25c
3 lb packages currants	25c	2 lbs Atmore's mince meat	25c
3 lb packages seeded raisins	25c	1 lb fancy raspberries	28c
1 lb lemon or orange peel	15c	2 lbs evaporated peaches	25c
1 lb leghorn citron	18c	3 cans early June peas	25c

United Grocers Company,

Davidson's Popular Grocery, J. M. Sembower, A. M. Lyons, John Davidson.

SPECIAL 10 DAY SALE.

For the next 10 days, beginning December 5th, we will offer Special Bargains in Good Winter Merchandise.

Specials in Underwear.

Men's $1.00 Wool Underwear, all sizes, special..... 75c
Men's 75c wool fleeced..... 50c
Men's 50c heavy fleeced..... 39c
Men's black fleeced..... 35c
Ladies' 25c value..... 19c
Special prices on all Children's Underwear.

Blankets and Comforts.

Large size Cotton Blankets per pair..... 49c
11 4 size Cotton Blankets per pair..... $1.19
Comforts from 65c up.
One fourth off on all Wool Blankets.

Window Shades.

25c Window Shades in all colors at..... 19c

Millinery.

For the next 10 days we will offer all our Trimmed hats at 1-3 off the regular price.

Fascinators & Knit Shawls

In all colors..... 25 and 50c

Golf Gloves

For Men Women and Children at all prices.

Toys.

Don't fail to see our line of Toys-Dolls and other Christmas Novelties.

Remember, we give double S. & H. Trading Stamps in the forenoon and from 6 to 8:30 in the evening.

Store open evenings until 8.30.

LONG BROS., N. Pittsburg St., CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

The Opening Chapters of

"D'RI AND I,"

Will Commence Tomorrow.

TWO DIVORCE CASES

A Point Marion Couple Want Their Marriage Set Aside.

SUIT FOR $1,000 DAMAGES.

Is the Outcome of the Breaking of the Breakneck Reservoir Which Let a Flood of Water Sweep Down the Valley—Routine Court Notes.

Special to The Courier.

Uniontown, Dec. 6.—Before Common Pleas Court Monday proceedings in divorce were instituted in which Leon J. Suan is libellant and Bertha F. Suan is respondent. The papers and petition, filed by Sterling, Higbee, Dumbauld & Brown, set forth that the interested parties live in Point Marion and that they were married in February, 1899, in Dunkirk, Indiana. Desertion is charged. Another case is that of Thompson Kremer against his wife Jennie Kremer. These two were married in Uniontown in July, 1903. Now they live in Hopwood and a divorce is asked for on a charge of desertion.

The Arch Distilling Company, which was recently granted a retail license, has filed its approval to the regulations of the Courts of Fayette county. Their agents and drivers are as follows: Joe Vall, John Zijac, Miller Earm, Mike Nehila, John Lindway, Andy Urban. The statement sets forth that each agent will deliver personally the goods he sells and that all the agents are men of temperate habits, able to speak, read and write the English language, and that they are thoroughly familiar with the laws governing the sale of malt, brewed and spiritous liquors.

In open court Monday afternoon Attorney George B. Jeffries filed a petition for allocatur in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Archie H. West. This is an appeal from a summary conviction by Justice Monteith of Fairchance, by whom West was, on the second day of December, 1904, convicted of cruelty. West is a teacher in the schools of Georges township. On the 22nd of November he punished Elmer Cooley, a boy of fourteen years, by standing on the floor. For this he was arrested on an information made by John Cooley, father of the boy, with the above result. West claims that the punishment was fair and lawful, and that he was convicted without an impartial trial and in disregard of the evidence he offered in his defense. The petition was granted and bond in the sum of $200 furnished.

Sterling, Higbee, Dumbauld & Brown have prepared the papers in suits for $1,000 damages each, which Sliza Breakiron and Charles D. Keffer bring against the Connellsville Water Company. This is for damages alleged to have resulted from the breaking of the Breakneck reservoir of the company in June, 1902, when, by reason of the breaking of the dam, torrents of water were thrown down the Breakneck valley, spreading wreck and ruin in its path. For this the damages are asked.

R. V. Ritenour, C. B. Sipe and G. W. Moon, viewers recently appointed to pass on the practicability of a proposed road in Stewart township, on petition of a number of the citizens of the township, have reported that they consider the road impractical to build without expense so great that it would be practically impossible at present. The road is in the vicinity of Egypt station and Salt Spring Bottom. It was proposed to build it from Egypt to the Red Hill road. The petition for viewers sets forth that in winter there was no means of access to lands on this side of the river without this road.

Grind of the Courts.

In the case of the Pittsburg Pipe & Iron Company against B. Robenvitz, which was concluded early Monday afternoon, the jury, after a short deliberation, returned a verdict for the plaintiffs in the sum of $193.90, this being the amount of their claim with interest. R. P. Kennedy represents the plaintiffs in this case.

On petition presented by Attorney H. S. Dumbauld was appointed register assessor in Dunbar township, Harry Worthington, the incumbent, being unable to serve.

Letters of administration were granted in the estate of Margaret R. Blythe, late of Washington twp. Bond in the sum of $2,400 was filed. John W. Arison is administrator, with Andrew Brown and Humphrey F. Blythe as sureties.

In Orphan's Court.

A third pluries order of sale, upon the same terms as the original, was granted in the estate of Joseph Pogg, deceased.

A second pluries order of sale was granted on the same terms as the original in the estate of Uriah Yauger, Sr., deceased.

D. F. Johnston has filed his bond in the sum of $4,000 as trustee to sell real estate of the late Martha Ache. The land is situated in German township.

In the matter of the estate of Col. John Collins, deceased, the writ of inquisition was presented and confirmed and a rule granted on the heirs to appear in court on the first Monday of March and either accept or refuse the real estate at the valuation fixed at the inquest or show cause why the same should not be done.

Deeds Recorded.

William W. Wilson and wife and others to Margaret Morris, land in Springfield township; $1.00. November 22, 1904.

Joseph Skelly and wife to Ida E. Bowlin, land in Connellsville township; $65. October 27, 1904.

John S. Detwiler and wife to Geo. S. Blackstone, coal land in Bullskin township; $700. April 27, 1904.

Margaret Morris and others to Stanton M. Hutchinson, land in Springfield township; $600. November 13, 1904.

Oric M. Zimmerman and others to Ada G. Hutchinson, lot in the Fourth Ward of Connellsville; $1,050. December 1, 1904.

J. S. Douglas and wife to James G. Welker, six lots in Uniontown; $1,800. November 29, 1904.

I. W. Miller and wife to John P. Conn, lot in the First Ward of Uniontown; $13,000. November 19, 1904.

Marriage Licenses.

John O'Neill of Allenport, Washington county, and Emma Zehfuss of Speers, Pa.

John Caeplo and Marie Kohaney, both of Oliver.

Edward H. Rollins of Pittsburg and Rachel S. Springer of Uniontown.

MRS. SARAH S. PLATT DECKER.

Mrs. Decker is from Denver, Col., and the leading club woman of the West. She is a prominent candidate for the presidency of the United Federation of Women's Clubs, and would fill the position with tact and force if elected.

THE MENU

Of Edmund Vance Cook on Thursday Evening Next.

The following is a sample program or "Menu" as it will be presented by Edmund Vance Cooke in "Pot-Luck With a Poet" at the Colonial Theatre next Thursday evening under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association:

MENU.

Greeting.
"I'm Glad to See You."

Domestic Dialects.
Nathan's Flat. Bobby's Besetting Sin.
Going Home to Mother.

Foreign Philosophers.
"Understaendlich" —The German Optimist.
"Fin de Siecle"—The English Pessimist.
"The Troubles of Terry"—The Irish Doubter.

Stage Stories.
How They Heard La Prima Sing.
The Other One Was Booth.
The Modern Melodrama.

Humbler Heroes.
Auto and the Auto.
The Hero of the Hill.
The Red Cross Nurse.

Fancies and Facts.
Foreboding. The Old School.
The Moo Cow Moo.

Tales Worth Telling.
Plug. The Young Man Walled.
The Story of Old Glory.

This program is of course subject to some change, but will afford a good idea of the nature of the entertainment to be offered. Mr. Cooke reads his own poems only in his recitals. The entertainment will begin at 8.30 oclock and patrons are respectively urged to be seated by that hour if if is at all possible to do so.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Received at The Courier Office During Past 24 Hours.

Following are letters received for Santa Claus during the past twenty-four hours at The Courier office. Others received at this office will be published in turn, it being necessary for them to be in this office the day preceding their publication:

"Dear Santa Claus
"I am a little wee girl. I am only 3 years old and I would like you to bring me a nice little baby doll and a little high chair to eat my supper in, and I want some candy too.
"Yours MARY M. O'BRIEN."

"Dear Santa Claus
"please bring me a horn, and a jumping Jack, and a pony.
"Yours JOHNNIE O'BRIEN."

"Dear Old Santa
"Christmas time again and the time we all look for your visit.
"Now I hope you will bring me this time a doll a trunk to hold her clothes, and a book of fairy tales not forgetting a supply of candy and fruit.
"Yours NELLIE O'BRIEN.
"Please bring me the fairy tales if none at all."

"Dear Santa Claus
"I am a good girl. I am 8 years old and I want a set off furs and a sled and a Pair of Kid Gloves.
"My name is MARGARET RUSE.
"Good by Santa Claus."

"Dear Santa Claus
"I am a Good Girl and I am 5 years old. I want a Big Doll and a Go Cart my name is KATHERINE RUSE.
"Good by Santa Claus."

"Dear Santa Claus
"I am a Good Girl and am 11 years old. I want a table and a set of Dishes and four chairs. You will find them at Wright Metzler store. Good by Santa Claus. MARY KATE DAVIS."

"Ohiopyle, Dec. 6.
"Dear Santa Claus:
"I want an army of soldiers and a hobby horse, a train of cars and a drum. I can play a drum. I am a very good boy. Good bye from
"FRED RAFFERTY."

"D'ri and I."

Our new serial story will begin on Wednesday. Don't miss the opening chapters.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Sensational reports of rust damage in Argentina caused a 2-cent advance here today in the price of May wheat. The market closed at practically the highest point of the day. Quotations at the close: Wheat, May, $1.13⅝; corn, May, 44⅞@45; oats, May, 30⅝@30⅞.

PITTSBURG MARKETS—DEC. 5.

Corn—No. 2 yellow shelled, 64@64½; high mixed, 60½@61; No. 2 yellow ear, 63½@64.

Oats—No. 2 white, 35½@35¾; No. 3, 34¾@35; No. 4, 33½@33¾.

Hay—New No. 1 timothy, $13@13.25; No. 2, $11.75@12.25; No. 1 clover, $13.25@13.50; No. 1 mixed, $12.50@12.75; loose from wagon, $14@16.

Eggs—Select, 31@32; candled, 27@28; storage, 22@23.

Butter—Prints, 28@28½; tubs, 27½@28; dairy, 21@22; renovated, 20@22.

Cheese—New York full cream, new, 12@12½; Ohio cream, 12; limburger, new, 13@13½.

Cattle—Prime to fancy, fat, smooth steers, $5.40@5.75; green, coarse and rough, fat steers, $3@3.75; fat, smooth, dry fed, light steers, $3.30@3.80; choice milch cows, $40@50; medium to good milch cows, $20@35; good, fat, smooth, handy butchers' bulls, $2.75@3.25; feeding steers, good style, weight and extra quality, $3.25@3.50; feed steers, common to good quality, $2.25@3; fair to choice stockers, $1.50@2.50.

Calves—Veals good to choice, $7.50@7.75; heavy to thin calves, $3@5.

Hogs—Good to prime heavy, $4.70@4.75; medium weights, $4.60@4.65; best heavy yorkers, $4.55@4.60; good light yorkers, $4.40@4.50; pigs, good to prime, $4.30@4.35.

Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, $4.25@4.50; good to choice mixed, $3.75@4; fair to good mixed, $2.75@3.50; culls and common, $1@2.25; lambs, spring, $5@6.25.

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PAYS
2 % on Daily Banking Accounts.
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The First National Bank
CONNELLSVILLE, PA.
CAPITAL, - - - - - - $75,000
SURPLUS, - - - - - - $150,000
OTHER PROFITS, - - - - $13,000
DEPOSITS, - - - - - - $1,000,000
2% Int. on Checking Accounts | 4% Int. on Savings Accounts
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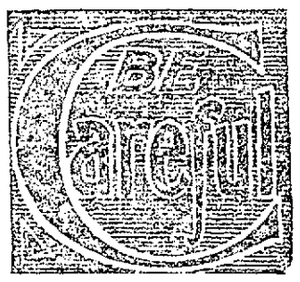

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Railroad Time Tables.

PITTSBURG DIVISION AND BRANCHES

Eastern Standard Time.

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EASTWARD.									STATIONS.	WESTWARD.								
10	12	16	8	2	46	6	48			9	11	1	13	47	5	49	251	
*pm	*pm	†pm	*pm	†pm	*pm	*am	*am			*am	*am	†am	†am	*pm	*pm	*pm	†am	
9.00	6.30	....	4.00	1.35	1.00	8.00	6.20		....Pittsburg....	7.15	9.00	1.00	....	2.45	7.45	3.25	10.20	
9.31	6.57	....	4.27	2.14	1.34	8.29	7.07		....McKeesport....	6.38	8.25	9.25	....	2.10	7.13	8.43	9.38	
10.02	....	....	6.20	2.05	2.04	....	7.56		....West Newton....	6.06	....	8.40	....	1.35	....	7.35	8.51	
....	....	....	5.47	3.33	....	....	8.28		....Layton....	....	....	8.20	....	....	....	7.20	8.21	
....	....	....	6.11	3.50	....	....	8.37		....Dawson....	....	....	8.07	....	....	....	7.13	8.07	
....	....	....	6.12	3.55	....	....	8.44		....Broad Ford....	....	....	7.55	....	....	....	7.06	8.00	
10.52	8.05	5.00	6.25	4.05	2.52	9.47	8.56		....Connellsville....	6.25	7.25	7.50	10.45	12.50	6.00	7.00	7.30	
....	....	5.16	....	....	....	....	9.08		....Indian Creek....	....	....	....	10.28	....	....	6.31	....	
....	....	5.24	....	....	....	10.12	9.21		....Bear Run....	....	....	....	10.15	....	....	6.12	....	
11.26	....	5.33	....	....	....	....	9.27		....Ohiopyle....	....	....	....	10.07	12.07	....	5.58	....	
11.50	....	5.04	....	....	3.40	....	9.54		....Confluence....	....	....	....	9.40	11.40	....	5.25	....	
....	....	6.00	....	....	....	....	8.50		....Ursina....	....	....	....	9.35	....	....	5.44	....	
12.11	....	6.23	....	....	3.53	10.51	10.16		....Markleton....	4.16	....	....	9.22	11.22	5.02	5.29	....	
12.23	9.15	6.45	....	....	4.15	11.05	10.32		....Rockwood....	4.01	....	....	9.08	11.16	4.49	5.15	....	
12.37	....	6.10	....	....	4.41	....	11.02		....Meyersdale....	....	8.58	....	8.42	10.54	....	4.58	....	
2.12	10.05	8.10	....	....	5.55	12.27	12.27		....Cumberland....	2.05	4.40	....	7.10	9.30	3.05	3.15	....	
6.30	2.40	....	....	....	11.05	4.42	....		....Washington....	9.15	12.48	....	....	....	11.00	....	....	
7.50	3.47	....	....	....	12.25	5.30	....		....Baltimore....	8.00	11.41	....	....	....	10.00	....	....	
10.15	6.05	....	....	....	3.10	8.19	....		....Philadelphia....	5.20	9.10	....	....	....	7.40	....	....	
12.40	8.25	....	....	....	5.52	10.40	....		....New York....	3.55	6.55	....	....	....	12.10	....	....	
pm	am	pm	pm		pm	pm	pm			pm	pm	am	am	am	am	pm	am	

Fairmont, Morgantown & Pittsburg Branch.

Trains to and from Pittsburg and points East and West via the Fairmont, Morgantown & Pittsburg Branch from Connellsville to Uniontown, Morgantown, Fairmont and Clarksburg. Nos. 2, 4, 44, 1, 3 and 7 are through trains to and from Pittsburg without change.

SOUTHWARD.							STATIONS.	NORTHWARD.			
		44	4	2	50	54		1	3	7	51
		†pm	†pm	†pm	*am	†am		*am	†pm	†pm	*pm
....	....	4.00	6.00	1.00	9.20	....	....Pittsburg....	10.00	12.50	5.05	7.40
....	....	4.50	6.53	4.10	9.50	7.55	....Connellsville....	8.40	11.00	2.27	5.25
....	....	5.53	6.53	4.14	....	7.53	....Gibson....	7.45	....	2.23	5.20
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....Fayette....	....	....	....	....
....	....	7.00	7.00	4.22	10.04	8.00	....Dunbar....	7.32	10.43	2.12	4.12
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....Ferguson....	....	....	....	....
....	....	7.07	7.07	4.31	10.13	8.14	....Mt. Braddock....	7.25	10.35	2.05	3.05
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....Percy....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....Stainbaugh....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....Lemont....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....Oliver....	....	....	....	....
....	....	7.23	7.23	4.46	10.35	8.35	....Uniontown....	7.10	10.07	1.50	4.45
....	....	7.41	....	5.04	10.54	8.54	....Fairchance....	6.46	....	1.31	4.16
....	....	7.49	7.49	5.10	11.01	9.01	....Smithfield....	6.39	9.45	1.15	4.06
....	....	8.16	8.15	5.35	11.27	....	....Point Marion....	6.15	9.17	....	3.35
....	....	8.42	8.45	6.00	11.52	....	....Morgantown....	5.50	8.50	....	3.10
....	....	9.55	9.50	7.05	1.05	....	....Fairmont....	5.00	7.50	....	2.10
....	....	....	12.20	....	6.15	....	....Weston....	....	....	....	8.15
		pm	am	pm	pm	am			am	am	pm	am

Mt. Pleasant Branch.

SOUTHWARD.				NORTHWARD.		
53	55	59	STATIONS.	53	57	59
†pm	†pm	*am		†am	†pm	†pm
5 55	1 40	8 40	....Mt. Pleasant....	8 25	4 35	7 50
5 50	1 35	8 35	....Scottdale....	8 04	4 15	7 30
5 41	1 26	8 26	....Everson....	8 02	4 13	7 28
5 38	1 23	8 23	....Morgan....	8 00	4 00	7 20
5 32	1 18	8 18	....Broad Ford....	7 55	3 55	7 15
5 15	1 02	10 20	....Pittsburg....	6 30	1 30	5 50
	pm	am		am	pm	pm

Somerset & Cambria Branch.

SOUTH.			STATIONS.	NORTH.		
208	246	206		207	247	205
* p	†pm	*am		*a	†am	*pm
7 10	4 35	9 00	....Rockwood....	8.50	11 20	6 25
8 00	5 00		....Milford....	7.19	11 00	5 35
6 14	3 30	8 35	....Somerset....	7.17	11 00	5 50
6 11	3 26	8 32	....Geiger....	7.15	11 10	5 55
6 02	3 18	7 48	....Hoover....	8.12	12 20	6 34
5 00	2 40	7 00	....Johnstown....	9.00	1 25	7 30
pm	pm	am		am	pm	pm

Confluence & Oakland Branch.

Trains leave Confluence at 6.00 and 10.30 am., Somerfield 6.30 am. and 11.15 am., arriving at Kendall at 7.10 am and 12.01 pm.

Trains leave Kendall at 7.20 am. and 12.20 pm., Somerfield 8.05 am. and 2.20 pm., arriving at Confluence at 9.05 am. and 3.00 pm.

Trains run daily except Sunday.

Berlin Branch.

Trains leave Garrett at 11.15 am and 5.15 pm, arriving at Berlin at 11.55 am. and 5.40 pm.

Trains leave Berlin at 8.00 am. and 2.45 pm., arriving at Garrett at 8.40 am. and 3.20 pm.

Trains run daily except Sunday.

NOTE.—Mail trains connect at Rockwood with trains to and from Somerset and Johnstown, at Hyndman with trains to and from Bedford, at Garrett with trains to and from Berlin, at Salisbury Junction with trains to and from Salisbury. Nos. 14, 6, 9 and 47 connect at Confluence with train on Confluence and Oakland Branch, south. Confluence & Oakland Branch train, north, connects at Confluence with Nos. 49 and 46. No. 12 will stop at McKeesport on signal for passengers for Philadelphia and New York.

Explanation. * Daily. † Daily except Sunday. ‡ Sunday only.

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Pennsylvania Railroad

Southwest Branch.

Eastern Standard Time. In effect May 29, 1904

NORTHWARD.				STATIONS.	SOUTHWARD.			
113	109	103	101		104	100	104	106
pm	pm	am	am		am	a m	pm	pm
....	2 12	....	6 42	Fairchance..	....	11 40	....	6 06
4 40	2 28	8 57	7 00	Uniontown..	8 44	11 23	4 18	7 47
4 45	2 33	9 02	7 03	Redstone Jc.	8 39	11 18	4 11	7 42
4 55	2 43	9 14	7 09	....Darent....	8 31	11 11	4 04	7 36
4 59	....	....	....	Stainbaugh.	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....Frost....	....	....	....	....
5 03	2 46	9 20	7 16	....Glen....	8 20	11 05	3 58	7 29
5 05	....	....	....	....Ferguson..	....	....	....	....
5 09	2 53	9 27	7 21	....Dunbar....	8 21	11 00	3 50	7 24
5 13	2 59	9 33	....	....Wheeler..	....	10 56	3 45	....
5 16	3 02	9 35	7 23	New Haven.	8 14	10 53	3 42	7 17
5 20	3 06	9 39	7 32	Connellsville.	8 10	10 49	3 37	7 13
5 30	....	....	7 40	....Moyer....	8 43	....	....	7 04
5 34	3 17	9 50	7 44	....Pennsville.	7 59	10 35	3 24	7 00
5 37	3 21	9 54	....	Valley W'k's	....	10 32	3 20	....
5 43	3 34	9 57	7 57	....Everson....	7 55	10 30	3 17	6 55
5 45	3 37	10 00	7 53	....Scottdale..	7 52	10 30	3 15	6 52
....	....	....	....	Scott'd Jc.	....	....	....	....
5 54	3 50	10 32	8 21	Youngwood..	7 24	9 59	2 41	6 20
5 61	4 06	10 38	8 28	Co. Home Jc	7 18	9 52	2 35	6 14
5 27	4 16	10 45	8 39	Greensburg.	7 10	9 43	2 25	6 05
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
7 39	....	10 55	....	....Jeanette....	6 10	9 27	1 28	5 45
7 52	4 31	11 05	8 57	....Irwin....	6 04	9 12	1 15	5 46
8 19	4 55	11 10	9 10	....Wilmerding.	5 35	8 56	12 59	5 33
8 35	5 05	11 49	9 30	East Liberty	5 25	8 50	12 40	5 15
8 45	5 13	12 00	9 40	....Pittsburg....	5 15	8 25	12 30	5 05

Sunday Service on Southwest Branch.

Northward—Leave Fairchance at 6.50 am., Uniontown 7.07 am. and 7.45 pm., Dunbar 7.30 am. and 8.11 pm., New Haven 7.36 am. and 8.17 pm., Connellsville 7.40 am. and 8.21 pm., Moyer 7.48 am. and 8.30 pm., Pennsville 7.52 am. and 8.34 pm., Scottdale 8.00 am. and 8.48 pm., Greensburg 8.55 am. and 9.44 pm., arriving at Pittsburg at 10.20 am. and 10.50 pm.

Southward—Leave Pittsburg at 4.55 pm. and 8.00 am., Greensburg 6.05 pm. and 9.35 am., Scottdale 6.40 pm. and 10.04 am., Pennsville 6.57 pm. and 10.22 am., Moyer 7.01 am. pm. and 10.14 pm., Connellsville 7.10 pm. and 10.25 am., New Haven 7.14 pm. and 10.29 am., Dunbar 7.21 pm. and 10.36 am., arrive at Uniontown at 7.43 pm. and 10.59 am., at Fairchance at 7.15 am.

Main Line East.

ALTOONA Accom. leaves Greensburg at 6.28 am.

DAY EXPRESS leaves Greensburg at 8.34 am., Altoona 11.00, Philadelphia 6.47 pm.

MAIN LINE EXPRESS leaves Greensburg at 9.03 am., Altoona 12.35, Philadelphia 6.28 pm., New York 9.30.

MAIL EXPRESS leaves Greensburg at 1.57 pm., Altoona 5.45, Harrisburg 10.

PHILADELPHIA EXPRESS leaves Greensburg at 5.55 pm., Altoona 8.50, Philadelphia 4.28 am., New York 7.18

FAST LINE leaves Greensburg at 10.06 pm., Altoona 12.40, am., Philadelphia 7.17 New York 9.33 am.

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Cleveland Short Line.

Central Standard Time. In effect Nov. 22, 1903.

NORTH.			STATIONS.	SOUTH.		
39	135	129		132	136	33
				am	pm	am
6 10	2 05	5 30	....New Haven....	10.35	5 19	8 21
6 15	2 10	5 35	....Broad Ford Jc.	10.22	5 06	8 11
6 18	2 12	5 38	....Adelaide....	10.20	5 01	8 15
6 23	2 18	5 45	....Dickerson Run.	10.13	4 53	8 13
....	2 28	5 59	....Fuller....	10.03	4 38	....
....	2 35	6 02	....West Newton..	9.56	4 10	....
....	2 50	6 15	....McKeesport....	9.46	4 00	....
....	3 50	8 00	....Pittsburg....	8.00	3 00	....
....	6 45	9 14	....Beaver Falls..	6.48	11 00	....
....	6 55	9 20	....New Castle....	6.37	11 00	....
....	7 49	10 15	....Youngstown....	5.40	10 05	....
....	9 30	12 40	....Cleveland....	3.30	8 30	....
....	1 15	3 55	....Buffalo....	11.10	11 10	....
....	7 50	....	....Chicago....	8.20	12.30	....
p m	a m	a m			p m	p m

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ON SUNDAY No. 134 and No. 39 will run one hour and 30 minutes late. No 135 will run one hour late.

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Washington Run R. R.

EAST.				WEST.		
3	4	6	STATIONS.	1	3	5
A.M.	P.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
7.46	5.20	6.55	..Star Junc..	8.40	6.15	7.25
7.47	15.21	(5.52)	No. 2 Mines	(8.39)	(5.06)	(7.18)
(7.52)	(5.25)	(5.55)	... Victoria...	(8.37)	(5.02)	(7.1
(7.56)	5.25	5.55	Perryopolis.	8.35	5.00	7.15
8.05	5.35	7.05	A Layton L	8.25	5.50	7.33

All trains run daily. (1) Stop on signal to take on and let off passengers.

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Cardigan

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CHAPTER XIX.

SILVER HEELS stood in the tap-room of Buckman's tavern casting bullets. A barefoot drummer watched the white hot crucible and baled out the glittering molten metal or fed it with lumps of lead stripped from the gatepost of Hooper's house in Danvers.

Jack Mount and the Weasel lay curled up like giant cats at the door, blinking peacefully out through the cracks into the early sunshine.

A stillness fell on the old tavern. The minutemen stood silently at the loopholes. A voice broke in from the pigeon loft above, "Is there a woman below to sew bandages?"

"Truly there is, sir," called back Silver Heels.

She started toward the stairway, then turned to look at me.

"My post is wherever you are," I said, stepping to her side. "There is a long war before us ere we find a home."

"I know," she said faintly.

"A long, long war; separation, sadness. Will you wed me before I go to join with Cresap's men?"

"Aye," she said.

"There is a parson below, Silver Heels."

Her face went scarlet.

"Let it be now," I whispered.

She looked up into my eyes. I leaned over the landing rail and called out, "Send a man for the parson of Woburn!"

An Acton man stepped out on the tavern porch and shouted for the parson. Presently the good man came, in rusty black, shouldering a fowling piece, his pockets bulging with a Bible and Book of Common Prayer.

"Is there sickness here—or wounds?" he asked anxiously. Then he saw me above and came wheezing up the stairs.

"Heart sickness, sir," I said. "We be dying, both of us, for the heart's ease you may bring us through your holy office."

At length he understood. Silver Heels striving to keep her sweet eyes lifted when he spoke to her, and I quiet and determined, asking that he lose no time, for no man knew how long we few here in the tavern had to live. In the same breath I summoned a soldier from the south loophole in the garret and asked him to witness for me, and he took off his hat and stood sheepishly twirling it, rifle in hand.

And so we were wedded, there in the ancient garret, the pigeons coo-cooing overhead, the blue wasps buzzing up and down the window glass and our hands joined before the aged parson of Woburn town. I had the plain gold ring which I had bought in Albany for this purpose, nor dreamed to wed my sweetheart with it thus. And, oh, the sweetness in her lips and eyes when I drew it from the cord around my neck and placed it on her smooth finger at the word!

There was a pile of cotton cloth on the floor. Silver Heels sank down beside it and began to tear it into strips for sewing bandages.

I looked from the window, seeing nothing.

Presently the minuteman at the south loop spoke:

"A man riding this way—there—on the Concord road!"

Silver Heels on the floor worked steadily, ripping the snowy cotton.

"There is smoke yonder on the Concord road," said the minuteman. "Look—look at the redcoats!"

As I rose I heard plainly the long, resounding crash of musket firing, and the rattle of rifles followed like a hundred echoes.

"Look yonder!" he cried.

And now we could see feathery puffs of smoke from the roadside bushes, from distant hills, from thickets, from plowed fields, from the long, undulating stone walls which crossed the plain. Faster and faster came the musket volleys, but faster yet rang out the shots from our yeomanry.

The old tavern was ringing with voices now—commands of officers, calls from those who were posted above, clattering steps on the porch as the Acton men ran out to their posts behind the tufted willows in the swamp.

Pellmell into the village green rushed the British light infantry, dusty, exhausted, enraged. In brutal disorder they surged on. Here a squad huddled together; there a company, bullied, threatened and harangued by its officers, with pistols and drawn swords; now a group staggering past, bearing dead or wounded comrades, now a heavy cart loaded with knapsacks and muskets, driven by hatless soldiers.

Close on their heels tramped the grenadiers. Soldier after soldier staggered and fell from the ranks utterly exhausted, unable to rise from the grass.

The lull in the firing was broken by a loud discharge of musketry from Fiske's hill, and presently more redcoats came rushing into the village, while at their very heels the Bedford alarm men shot at them and chased them. Everywhere our militia came swarming—from Sudbury, Westford, Lincoln, Acton; minutemen from Medford, from Stowe, from Beverly and from Lynn—and their ancient firelocks blazed from every stone wall, and their long rifles banged from the distant ridges.

Below me in the street I saw the British officers striving desperately to reform their men, while thicker and thicker pelted the bullets from the minutemen and militia.

It was not a retreat, not a flight; it was a riot, a horrible saturnalia of smoke and fire and awful sound. As a maddened panther, wounded, rushes forth to deal death right and left, even tearing its own flesh with tooth and claw, the British column burst south across the land, crazed with wounds, famished, athirst, blood mad, dealing death and ruin to all that lay before it.

Terrible was the vengeance that followed it, hovered on its gasping flanks, scourged its dwindling ranks, which withered under the searching fire from every tuft of bushes, every rock, every tree trunk.

I, with Mount and the Weasel, hung to their left flank till 2 o'clock, when, about half a mile from Lexington meeting house, we heard cannon and understood that the relief troops from Boston had come up.

Then, knowing that there were guns enough and to spare without ours, we shouldered our hot rifles and trudged back to Buckman's tavern through the dust behind a straw covered wain which was driving slowly under the heat of an almost vertical sun.

Mount, parched with thirst, hailed the driver of the wain, asking him if he carried cider.

"Only a wounded man," he said, "most dead o' the red dragoons."

I stepped to the slowly moving wagon and looked over the tailboard down into the straw.

"Shemuel!" I cried.

"Shemuel!" roared Mount.

The little Jew opened his sick eyes under his bandage. The Weasel

And so we were wedded.

climbed nimbly over the tailboard and settled down beside the wounded man, taking his blood smeared hand.

"Shemuel, Shemuel, we saw them split your head!" stammered Mount in his astonishment and joy.

"Under my hat I did haff a capful of shillings," replied Shemuel weakly. "I—I go back—two days' time to find me my money by dot Lechemere swamp, eh, Jack?"

"God bless you!" cried Mount. "We will get your money, lad! Won't we, Cardigan?"

The little Jew turned his heavy eyes on me.

"You haff found Miss Warren?" he gasped. "Ach, so iss all well. I go back—two days' time—find me my money." He smiled and closed his eyes.

So we re-entered Lexington, Jack Mount, the Weasel, Saul Shemuel and I. And on the tavern steps Silver Heels stood, her tired, colorless face lighted up, her outstretched hands falling on my shoulders, and I to take her in my arms, for she had fallen a-weeping.

In the south the thunder of the British cannon muttered, distant and more distant. The storm had passed.

Had the storm passed? The smoke hung in the north where Concord town was burning, yet around us birds sang.

And now came Jack Mount, riding postilion on the horses which drew the post chaise. Behind him trotted the Weasel, leading out Warlock. Silver Heels saw them and stood up, smiling through her tears.

"Truly we stayed and did our duty, did we not, dear heart?"

"With your help, sweet."

"And deserted not our own!"

"Yours the praise, dear soul!"

"And did face our enemies like true people all. Is it not so, Michael?"

"It is so."

"Then let us go, my husband. I am sick for my own land and for the happiness to come."

"Northward we journey, little sweetheart."

"To the blue hills and the sweet fern?"

"Aye, home."

And so we started for the north, out of the bloody village where our liberty was born at the first rifle shot, out of the sound of the British cannon, out of the land of the salt sea, back to the inland winds and the incense of our own dear forests and the music of sweet waters tumbling where the white pines sing eternally.

I rode Warlock beside the chaise; Shemuel lay within; Silver Heels sat beside the poor, hurt creature, easing his fevered head, but her eyes ever returned to me, and the color came and went in her face as our eyes spoke in silence.

"Goodby," said Foxcroft huskily.

Mount squared himself in his saddle; the Weasel, rifle on thigh, set his horse's head north.

We entered Albany on the 22d of April; the town had heard the news from Lexington ere we sighted the Albany hills, the express having passed us as we crossed the New York line, tearing along the river bank at a breakneck gallop.

We lay at the house of Peter Weaver, my lawyer, Silver Heels and I, Jack Mount and Cade Renard lay at the Half Moon, where poor Shemuel could procure medicine and such medical attendance as he so sorely stood in need of.

With Peter Weaver I prepared to arrange my affairs as best I might, it being impossible for me to undertake a voyage to Ireland at this time, though my succession to the title and estates of my late uncle, Sir Terence, made it most necessary.

Silver Heels, her round chin on my shoulder, listened attentively and asked some questions, which caused the ponderous lawyer to address himself to her rather than to me, seeing clearly that either I cared nothing for my own affairs or else was stupid past all belief.

Sir William's legacies to me and to Silver Heels were discussed most seriously, and Mr. Weaver would have it that the law should deal with my miserable kinsman, Sir John, for the fraud he had wrought. Yet it was exactly that, and because he was my kinsman, I could not drag him out to cringe for his infamy before the rabble.

The land and the money left to us by Sir William we would now doubtless receive, but it was only because Sir William had desired it that we at length made up our minds to accept it at all.

For Shemuel's sake and because we would not desert him we continued in Albany until near the end of April.

Taking counsel together, we had determined to build a mansion, when the times permitted, midway on the road 'twixt Johnstown and Fonda's Bush, our lands joining at that place. But I feared much that the war which now flamed through Massachusetts Bay might soon creep northward into our forest fastness and set the border ablaze from the Ohio to St. Sacrement. Much, too, I feared that the men of the woods whose skin was red would league with the men whose coats were red. All his later days Sir William had striven to avert this awful pact; Dunmore played against him, Butler betrayed him, Cresap was tricked, and Sir William lost. Now into his high place sneaked a pygmy, slow, uncertain, sullen, treacherous—his own son—who would undo the last knot which bound the Indians to a fair neutrality. Perhaps he himself would even lead them on to the dreadful devastation all men dreaded; and, if he, men must also count on the Butlers, father and son, to carry terror through our forests and hunt to death without mercy all who stood for freedom and the rights of man.

One of these I had held in my hand and released. Yet still that old certainty haunted me, the belief that one day I was to meet and kill him, not in honorable encounter, now, for he had lost the right to ask such a death from me; but in the dark forest, somewhere among the corridors of silent pines, I would slay him as sachems slay ferocious beasts that track men through ghost trails down to hell.

As I stood on the steps of Peter Weaver's red brick house, turning to look once more into the coals of the setting sun ere I entered the door, a hand twitched at my coat skirt, and, looking down, I saw below me on the pavement an Indian dressed in the buckskins of a forest runner.

"Peter!" I cried, for it was he, my dusky kinsman on the left hand.

Suddenly, as I stood there, at a loss what next to say, came a heavy man, richly clothed, flabby face bent on the ground. Nor would he have discovered me, so immersed in brooding reverie was he, had not Peter touched his elbow.

A bright flush stained his face. He looked up at me where I stood. Then I descended the steps, shoving Peter from between us, and Sir John Johnson, for it was he, moved back a pace and laid his heavy hand on his sword belt as I came close to him, looking into his cold eyes.

"Liar!" I said. "Liar, liar!" And that was all, for he gave ground, and his hand fell limply from his dishonored hilt.

So I left him there in the darkening street.

We started next day at dawn, Silver Heels riding Warlock in her new kittle and little French three cornered hat with its gilt fringe, to which she had a right, as she was now my Lady Cardigan, if she chose.

I rode a bay mare, bought in Albany, yet a beauty, and doubtless the only decent horsedesh in all that town of rusty rackers and patroons' sorry hacks. Mount and the Weasel, leather clad and gay with quilled moccasins and brilliant thrums, journeyed afoot on either side o' Shemuel, who bestrode a little docile ass.

An hour later I summoned Jack Mount, and he fell back to my stirrups, resting his huge hand on my saddle as he walked beside me.

"Jack," I said, "is poor Cade cured o' fancy and his mad imaginings?"

"Aye, lad, for the time."

"For the time?"

"A year, two years, three, perhaps. This is not the first mad flight o' fancy Cade has taken on his aged wings."

"You never told me that," I said sharply.

"No, lad."

"Why not?"

"Sir, it is said," he muttered, "a fair mind nobly wrecked. But grief cannot deform the soul, Mr. Cardigan."

"He knows you now?"

"Aye, and knows that he has dwelt for months in madness."

"Does he know that it was me he loved so deeply in his madness?" asked Silver Heels gently.

"I think he does," whispered Mount.

Silver Heels turned her sorrowful eyes on poor Cade Renard.

Riding that afternoon near sunset at the False Faces' Carrying Place upon the Mohawk, we spoke of Johnson Hall and the old life sadly, for never again could we hope to enter its beloved portals.

Naught that belonged to us remained in the Hall save only the memories none might rob us of.

"If only I might have Betty!" said Silver Heels wistfully.

"Betty? Did she not attend you to Boston with Sir John?" I asked.

"Yes, but she was slave to Sir John I could not buy her. You know how poor I woke to find myself in Boston town."

I had leased from my lawyer, Peter Weaver, a large stone mansion in Johnstown, which stood next to the church where Sir William lay, until such time as I might return from the war and find leisure to build on my own land the house which Silver Heels and I had planned to stand on a hill in full view of the river and of the old Hall where our childhood had been passed.

It was night when we rode into Johnstown. I could discover no changes in the darkness save that a few new signs swung before lighted shops and every fifth house hung out a lanthorn and a whole candlelight.

Our stone house was vast, damp and scantily furnished, but Jack Mount lighted a fire in the hallway, and Silver Heels went about with a song on her lips, and Cade Renard sent servants from the nearest inn with cloth and tableware and meats smoking hot, not forgetting a great bowl of punch and a cask of ale, which the scullions rolled into the great hall and hoisted on the skids.

Shemuel, with his peddling panniers, had strangely disappeared, nor could we find him high or low when Mount and Cade had set their own table by the fire and the room smelled sweet with steaming toddy.

"Thrift, thrift!" muttered Mount, rattling his toddy stick impatiently. "Now, who could have thought that little Jew would have cut away to make up time in trade this night?"

But Shemuel had traded in another manner, for, ere Mount had set his strong, white teeth in the breastbone of a roasted fowl, I heard Silver Heels cry out, "Betty, Betty! Oh, dear, dear Betty!" And the blubbering black woman came rolling in, scarlet turban erect, earrings jingling.

"Mah li'l' dove! Mah li'l' pigeon dove! Mah li'l' Miss Honeybee!"

"You must keep her, lad," muttered Mount.

"I think Sir John will sell," I said grimly.

And so he did, or would have, had not his new wife, poor Lady Johnson, whom I had never seen, writing from the Hall, begged me to accept Betty as a gift from her. And I, having no quarrel with the unhappy lady, accepted Betty as a gift, permitting Lady Johnson to secure from the incident what comfort she might.

May ended smothered in flowers, and with the thickening leaves of June came to us there in the north rumors of the times which were to try men's souls.

Then one dim morning, while yet the primrose light tinted the far hills, I awoke to see Silver Heels in her white night robe leaning from the casement, calling out to me in a strange, frightened voice: "Michael, Michael! They are coming over the hills—over the hills, dear heart, to take you with them!"

"Sir Michael," roared Mount below my window, "Cresap is on the hills with 500 men of Maryland!"

Stunned, I stared at Silver Heels. Her face was marble, glorified.

As the sun rose I left her and, scarce knowing what I did, threw my long rifle on my shoulder and ran out swiftly through the garden.

Suddenly, as though by magic summoned, the whole street was filled with riflemen, marching silently and swiftly, with moccasined feet, their raccoon caps pushed back, the green thrums tossing on sleeve and thigh. On they came, rank and rank, like brown deer herding through a rock run, and on the hunting shirts, lettered in white across each breast, I read, "Liberty or Death."

Mount and the Weasel came up, rifles shouldered, coonskin caps swinging in their hands. Mount shyly touched the hand that Silver Heels held out. Cade Renard took the fingers and, bending above them with a flicker of his aged gallantry, pressed them with his shriveled lips.

"To kill the Red Beast," muttered Mount. "It is quickly done, Lady Cardigan. Then your husband will return."

"Ho, Cardigan!" rang out a voice like a pistol shot from the passing ranks.

Through my tear dimmed eyes I saw Cresap, sword shining in his hand.

"We come!" cried Mount, shaking his rifle toward the rising sun. "Death to the Red Beast!"

THE END.

Sure of Himself.

"I'll give you a position as clerk to start with," said the merchant, "and pay you what you are worth. Is that satisfactory?"

"Oh, perfectly," replied the college graduate, "but—er—do you think the firm can afford it?"—Philadelphia Press.

Hard to Approach.

Lady (looking for an apartment)—I'd like to see the janitor, please. Assistant—Did yez have an appointment wid him?—Brooklyn Life.

Tact comes as much from goodness of heart as from fineness.—Endymion.

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ELEVATORS ON STEAMERS.

Hamburg-American Ocean Liners to Be Marvels of Luxury.

Floating hotels on the European plan, with Turkish bath and elevator attachments, are about what the new monster ships of the Hamburg-American line, the Kaiserin Auguste Victoria and the America, are to be, says the New York Evening World.

The Kaiserin is to be the largest, being 705 feet long, of 77 feet beam, 58 feet 9 inches deep and with a displacement of about 40,000 tons. She will have a cargo capacity of 16,000 tons, will carry 600 first cabin passengers, 300 second cabin, 250 third class and 2,139 steerage.

Each of the ships is to have a grill room of the proportions of a modern restaurant. Passengers may dine when they please and order luncheons or dinners for friends who may visit them on board. The first cabin staterooms will have no upper berths, and many of these staterooms will be as large as 10 by 17 feet.

Passenger elevators will run through all five "stories," as the decks might properly be called. Each ship will have a large Turkish bath and a gymnasium, as well as a complete telephone equipment with a central switchboard. Each will have three decks, one reserved for promenading exclusively, a second for those who wish to lounge about in deck chairs and a third for games.

The time of the ships between New York and Plymouth or Cherbourg is expected to be about seven and a half days.

Less Trouble.

"Let me take your order for our latest dictionary."

"No use for it. I am saving my money to marry a schoolma'am."

November.

'Tis thine to sit between the glow
Of ripened harvests heading fair,
With purpling vineyards drooping low
Their clusters through the fragrant air
And snow clad hills that dazzling white
Stretch awful through the winter night,
Above the ice streams below
The twilight of the year is thine,
November in thy veil of gray!
—Rebecca F. Reed in New York Mail.

PLAIN, FRANK TALK.

Which Cannot Fail to Do Much Good in Connellsville.

Residents of Connellsville, who are victims of too prevalent kidney diseases owe something to the lady quoted herein, for the frankness with which she has opened to them the way to health.

Mrs. M. E. Jackson of No. 60 Sixth street, Uniontown, says: "As I told the people through our newspapers several years ago Doan's Kidney Pills gave me prompt and complete relief from distressing bearing down pains through the loins which had troubled me for about a year. This affliction was brought on by a strain which seemed to have the effect of injuring the kidneys and for a long time if I worked hard or caught cold it made the trouble worse. I used numerous remedies at different times, but although some of them helped me for a time, the results were never satisfactory and permanent. When I used Doan's Kidney Pills they not only banished the pain from my back, but restored the kidneys to their normal condition and I was so gratified with those results that I was very glad to testify for the benefit of other sufferers. I have had no reason to change my opinion or to use any kidney medicine since that time, for the cure has been complete and lasting. I can, therefore, recommend Doan's Kidney Pills with a great deal of confidence."

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How some folks paid their election bets.

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HEALTH BOARD MEETS

And Pays Bills Chiefly for the Recent Smallpox Quarantine.

DISEASE IS NOW STAMPED OUT.

Health Officer Hyatt Says Town Is in Good Sanitary Condition But That Complaints of Hucksters Selling Bad Produce Have Reached Him.

A meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday afternoon, the following members being present: Dr. L. P. McCormick, Rockwell Marietta, Hugh Stillwagon, Dr. J. C. McClenathan and Clerk George B. Brown. The only important business taken up was the settling of the smallpox cases on York avenue. Dr. J. J. Singer was instructed to fumigate the other side of the house of O. S. Toothman that was occupied by Thomas L. Drew.

The following bills were ordered paid: Dr. J. J. Singer, professional visits and fumigating, $135.34; Graham & Newcomer, medicine, $16.50; Thomas Mulloy, guarding quarantine, $28; O. S. Toothman, guarding quarantine, $12;; ;Graham & Newcomer, chemicals for milk testing, $2.50; Wm. Corbin, burying two dogs in Nov. $1; John Ranker, burying one dog, 50c; Allan Hyatt, November salary, $50; George B. Brown, November salary, $10.

The following report of the sanitary condition of the borough for November was made by Health Officer Allan Hyatt:

"We find the sanitary condition of the borough very good. We had one case of diphtheria and one case of smallpox reported in November. Milk has slightly improved in the percentage of fat. We find the markets in a good sanitary condition. We have had trouble with one of our meat markets as they render lard in a back room which makes it very disagreeable to the tenants over the room on account of the odor.

"We have some sewers reported as not being in a sanitary condition. I have made a careful investigation and my opinion is that it is not sewer gas, but that natural gas must be leaking at the point complained of.

"It has been reported to me that some hucksters have sold sausages and other meats that have been adulterated; also poultry that is not in a healthy condition. If this be the case I would be pleased to have the same reported to me with a sample of the same."

IT IS CHIEF DULL.

Well Known Contractor Elected Head of Fire Department.

A meeting of the Volunteer Firemen was held Monday night in their rooms in the public building. William Dull was unanimously elected Chief of the department to succeed the late M. A. Coyne. The other officers elected to fill vacancies existing were: ward Ringer, financial secretary; J. W. McDonald, recording secretary; Frank Bishop, Howard Rodgers and James S. Stillwagon trustees: John Stillwagon, vice president.

J. W. McDonald, Jake Slonaker and Howard Rodgers were appointed a committee to see A. B. Kurtz of Connellsville and to see Squire Engle and the Volunteer Fire Department of McKees Rocks with a view of securing the return of the cup that was taken away from here at the time that the McKees Rock's delegation was here at M. A. Coyne's funeral. There was a dispute between McKees Rocks and Charleroi, so the Connellsville and New Haven fire departments refused to award the cup. The local boys claim the cup was secured in an underhand manner, and they will demand its return.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE.

Transmitted to Japanses Soldiers Whose Enlistments Have Expired.

Tokio, Dec. 6.—[Special]—An imperial order issued today calling for offers from officers and men whose time has expired has been transmitted to the commanders of the armies in the far east and it is expected that it will meet with a hearty response.

While the call to men is in acordance with the custom adopted shortly after the beginning of the war, the request extended to officers is something unusual. This, however, is explained by the fact that owing to the large percentage of officers who have been killed in recent engagements, it has been necessary in many cases to fill their places with non-commissioned offers.

SOLDIERS CRAZED.

Sent to National Asylum in Moscow Stark Mad.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 6.—[Special.] The fact became known today that during November, 104 soldiers were driven mad by the horrors of war and privations which they had to undergo. They have arrived in Moscow in a pitable condition and are now inmates of the National Asylum for the insane in that city.

So far as can be learned the cases are nearly all incurable. Some of the unfortunates are raving maniacs while others are reduced to a state of apathetic idiocy.

Child Dies of Burns.

Joe Dosterg, the two-year-old child who was scalded at South Connellsville last Sunday, died at the hospital yesterday afternoon.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEET.

Paid Bills and Transacted Other Routine Business Monday Night.

The Connellsville District School Board met Monday evening in the High School building shortly after eight o'clock with the following members present: Higbee, Welsh, Norton, Holt and Schenck. The first business taken up was the award of a contract to make repairs in the old Fourth Ward school building. Bids had been advertised for, but only one was received. The Connellsville Construction Company presented a bid of $675, and they were awarded the contract.

The following bills were ordered paid: J. C. Moore, $28.84; Marietta & Stillwagon Coal Company, $74.00; F. T. Evans, $14.30; The Electric Company, Second Ward 50c, Fourth Ward $7.44, High School $2.70; Lloyd Stillwagon, moving seats, $16; J. G. Hormsher, 45c; Tri-State Telephone Co., $11.25; J. D. Wilson, $3.60; Connellsville Water Company, Second Ward $11.15, Third Ward $2.00, Fourth Ward $2.00, High School $9.05.

Misses Ella Skiff and Alice Horner presented a request for permission to use the second floor of the High School building for the summer normal school. The request was granted.

A committee consisting of Norton, Welsh and Schenck, with Superintendent Wiley as a member ex-officio, was appointed by the President to examine the Crowell apparatus for the study of physics and with the authority to purchase same if it was thought advisable.

The Board decided to pay the teachers on next Friday, owing to the fact that the month ends three days after vacation. At 8.40 the Board adjourned.

A few of the members and Superintendent Wiley went to the Wyman Hotel and were given a demonstration of the utility of the apparatus to illustrate the experiments in physics.

MRS. JANE M'KESSON

Expired This Morning at the Home of Her Daughter.

Mrs. Jane McKesson, widow of the late T. S. McKesson, died this morning at 6.15 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Shirley. The funeral services will be conducted from her late home at 208 East Francis avenue. J. J. Huston, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, will have charge of the services. Interment in Hill Grove Cemetery.

Deceased was the daughter of Sarah and James McBeth and was born in Mahoning township, Indiana county, in 1822. The greater part of her early life was spent in Indiana county. At the age of 16 years she united with the United Presbyterian Church at Stony Hollow, Brush Valley township. December 29, 1845 she married T. S. McKesson of Indiana county. About 21 years ago she came to Connellsville with her husband, where she resided until the time of her death. Since the death of her husband, which occurred in 1845, she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Shirley. Her death was not unexpected, as she has been almost an invalid for the past eight wears.

At the time of her death Mrs. McKesson was a member of the United Presbyterian Church of Connellsville. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Mrs. J. P Shirley and J. A. McKesson, all of Connellsville, and Mrs. J. P. Kennedy of Blairsville. Deceased is also survived by one brother and two half brothers. John and William McBeth, both of Connellsville, and Robert McBeth of Indiana, Pa.

ANOTHER HOLLAND TRIUMPH.

Popular Actress Again Pleases Good Sized Local Audience.

Years, it would seem, were kind to Mildred Holland. Not that they are lenient in allowing her to retain the exquisite charm of her youth, but because each succeeding one seems to add more to her ability and cleverness. In "The Triumph of An Empress," which she produced last night, the occasion of her annual visit to Connellsville, she is about as near perfect as the possibilities of the play will allow.

Theodore Kremer, when he wrote the piece, overlooked none of the dramatic possibilities that it was practical to bring out. And he realized, the lines indicate, that Holland would appear before the masses of the states. Because of this cosmopolitan idea, which in no way sacrificed the artistic side of the production, the play has been greatly successful.

It was noticed last night at the New Colonial, that Miss Holland's support this year is almost entirely new and the change has greatly improved the production. Henry C. Mortimer works well with Holland. Lillian Ethel Norris, in the second lead, does good emotional work. The stage settings, as usual, are clean and pleasing. Uniontown will see Holland tonight.

COPE—TURNER.

The Bride Was Formerly a Perryopolis Girl.

Mrs. Mahalla Cope and Samuel P Turner, both of Elwood City, were united in marriage Thursday, December 1. The bride was formerly of Perryopolis and was one of the most prominent and respected ladies of that place, as well as in Elwood City. She also has a number of friends in New Haven and Connellsville, having visited here frequently. The groom is engaged in the shoe business and is one of the leading business men of that city.

"D'ri and I."

Our new serial story will begin on Wednesday. Don't miss the opening chapters.

BUYS ANOTHER HOTEL.

James Dolan Takes Charge of Hostelry in Barnesboro.

James Dolan, of Latrobe and formerly of Vanderbilt, has purchased the Ritter hotel in Barnesboro, from the present licensees and proprietors W. W. Hoover and Mathias Fabian, the sale being conditioned upon the transfer of the license, an application for which will be made to the Cambria county courts at once. The consideration paid by Dolan was $14,000. The hotel is a large one, enjoying a lucrative trade, both at the bar and in transient patronage.

Mr. Dolan, it will be recalled, retired from the proprietorship of the Commercial Hotel at Latrobe several months ago, the license having been transferred to Joseph Brach. Mr Dolan's argument with the court in favor of the transfer was that his health necessitated his retirement from business.

Mr. Dolan is interested in the brewery at Spangler, Pa., which is located near Barnesboro. It is supposed that he will remove his family to Barnesboro as soon as the license is transferred.

TOBE HOXIE WITH US.

Ernest Lampson Pays Pleasant Visit to The Courier Office.

Ernest Lampson and his Tobe Hoxie Company arrived in Connellsville this morning and will be seen at the Colonial Theatre this evening. Lampson and his company were at the Colonial Theatre last season and they highly pleased a big house.

Mr. Lampson just dropped in to The Courier office when a story was being received from the Southern end of the county concerning a coke shipment of 30 steel cars that Picklands, Magee & Company are making in a solid train to Douglas, Arizona. The coincidence was in the fact that Douglas is the home of Mr. Lampson He is a native of the Southwest and he was surprised to hear that fuel was being shipped from the Connellsville region to his home in far away Arizona.

Oil is the chief fuel there, Mr. Lampson says It is shipped from Texas and California. The long haul and big rates make coke a luxury.

ANOTHER KICK.

Trotter People Don't Like New Trolley Schedule.

The patrons of the Pittsburg, McKeesport & Connellsville railway at Trotter are kicking against the new schedule. By it one car has been taken off the division out that way either part or all of the day. Last night Trotter had four kicks to register through The Courier. They are:

That on Sunday there were long waits for the cars at church time and when it did arrive it was so crowded that they could not get on. Many persons, they said, were compelled to walk home or wait until long after the dinner hour.

Superintendent P. J. Tormay of Trotter has had ashes laid along the side walk of the road to the top of New Haven Hill and he said last night a great many Trotter people would walk to New Haven and Connellsville rather than make the long waits for cars.

LOTTIE COLLINS

Former Operatic Star Singing Daily at Mace & Company.

Miss Lottie Collins, the famous opera singer, gave her first concert Monday afternoon and Monday evening at the store of Mace & Company. Miss Collins appeared in a costume representing Scotland and sang in a very pleasing manner the national airs of Scotland. Miss Collins possesses a very sweet voice and presents a very chahming appearance. Large crowds were attracted to this popular store both afternoon and evening. She will appear this afternoon in the Russian costume and sing the popular Russian songs.

The concerts are from 2 until 4 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 until 10 in the evening. The store is prettily decorated in the national colors and the flags of the different countries present a very pretty scene.

OFF FOR PACIFIC COAST.

Mr. and Mrs. George Markle and Party Left This Morning.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Markle, Howard O. Markle and Miss Gertrude Markle, left this morning on No. 3 for an extended trip to the West and Pacific Coast. They will be gone until April or May, 1905. They were accompanied by Miss Maria and J. W. Overholt, who will make the trip with them. The party will go to the Coast by easy stages, taking in points in Colorado and stopping at Salt Lake. Then they will make a stay in San Francisco and travel north. From there they will go south for a visit of a month or so in Southern California.

They will return home by way of Florida and New Orleans.

VICTORY DISCREDITED.

General Sakharoff States There Were No Engagements Sunday.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 6—[Special]—General Sakharoff reports to the Czar that no engagements occurred Sunday. This flatly contradicts the official reports that on that day General Renenkampoff gained a signal victory over the Japanese who had been sent to turn the Russian flanks and consequently discredits the reported victory.

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CHRISTMAS MONTH IS HERE.

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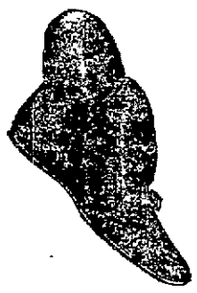
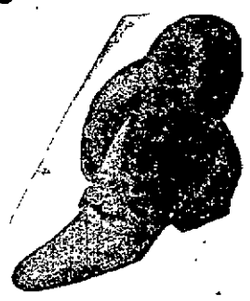
Christmas Gift Slippers.



We have devoted an expanse of precious space in our Shoe store to the display of more good sorts of Slippers than you will find assembled in any store in this vicinity. Everybody's foot, everybody's taste, everybody's expense ideas can easily be fitted here. The Slippers are beautiful, sensible, comfortable, everything that is good. Many new styles for old and young and they may be changed after gift-giving time if your first guess is wrong.



Slippers for Women.

Juliette Slippers.—These are in fine grade of felt, fur trimmed, in black, brown and red, leather sole..... **$1.00**

Low Cut Slipper of the same grade, self-trimmed, flexible leather sole.

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Crochetted Slippers with Lamb's Wool soles, in pink, blue, red, black, lavender and white, and pink and grey. Very special at..... **75c**

Juliette Slippers of felt and French Kid, hand-turned soles, fur trimmed, at..... **$1.50**

Slippers for Children.

Children's Juliette Slippers, red trimmed with black fur.
Sizes 1 to 5 at 50c. Sizes 5½ to 8 at 90c.
Sizes 8½ to 2 at $1.00.

Beauty Reigns

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The Holiday Neckwear for Women is here in every sort—all bright, new and beautiful. An assemblage to which all will bow profoundly.

Chiffon and Lace Jabots, Fancy Silk & Lace Stocks, Lace Collars.

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Enlarged space has been given to the Cut Glass stock and is no more than adequate. Even for Holiday season our present selling of Cut Glass is astonishing. The latest shapes and cuttings are here. The prices are in your favor.

Aprons

that will make very nice presents.

Short Aprons of Swiss Organdie and Lawn. Square and oval, with pretty applications of lace or embroidery from

50c to $1.50.

The Linen Store at Christmastide.

Since time immemorial Fine Linen has been associated with two things—banqueting and richness. Therefore at Holiday times when festal boards are making ready and elegant gifts are being chosen. It behooves the linen store to be at its best. The best of our Linen Store is a very high standard. Enough to say now that we feel we have surpassed even ourselves in this Holiday array. Our showing includes a beautiful collection of Mexican drawn work in 22-24-30-36 and 54 inch squares. Scarfs 54 to 72 inch in length. Doilies in drawn work Teneriffe Battenberg, etc., and a superb display of Table Linen.

WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY,

ONE PRICE THE RIGHT PRICE THE DAYLIGHT STORE

THIS STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL AFTER THE HOLIDAYS.

SCOTTDALE.

Breezy Paragraphs Picked Up in the Mill Town.

Scottdale, Dec 6.—Mrs. L. Kromer of East Scottdale returned home on Friday evening last after spending several weeks at Pittsburg visiting relatives.

William Leitzell spent several days here last week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Morris were Pittsburg visitors on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Foreman of Uniontown were here over Sunday visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. H. C. Miller, Pittsburg street.

Miss Caroline Kromer of Connellsville spent Sunday at East Scottdale visiting her mother.

Miss Kathryn Quigley of East Scottdale was a Mt. Pleasant visitor on Sunday.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in their rooms this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

There were no services in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning on acount of the absence of the pastor, who was in attendance of the funeral of Miss Sara J Hurt.

The box social given in the Hawkeye school house on Saturday evening for the benefit of the Union Sunday school, which meets there, was a success. A short program of recitations, vocal and instrumental selections was rendered, after which W. J. Mollison, superintendent of the Sunday school, made a few remarks and auctioneered the boxes off and the proceeds of the social amounted to nearly $25.

The lecture given in the M. E. Church on Friday evening last was one of the best lectures that has been given in the church for a long time. The lecture was given by Hon. Wallace Bruce of Brooklyn, N. Y. This was the last number of the course given by the Brotherhood of St. Paul and the Epworth League. The course was a very successful one both financially and socially.

Mrs. T. C. Eicher was at New Brighton on Friday and Saturday last, visiting the family of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Fletcher.

This evening the reorganized Knights of the Golden Eagle Lodge will have the final installation services and a grand time is expected by the members. A large number of visiting members will be present and Greensburg will send a big delegation and their degree team. The Scottdale G. A. R. band has been engaged to meet the delegation at the street car to escort them to the lodge room.

The water situation is becoming worse in Scottdale. Yesterday afternoon there was no water in the uptown district at all and it is feared unless the present snow melts or it rains soon that Scottdale will be entirely out of water.

The prospects of the Y. M. C. A. are now looking very bright. The newly appointed secretary has taken charge and it working hard to interest the men and young men in the various kinds of work of the Association. He desires to meet all the senior members of the Association and organize a gymnasium class. The Y. M. C. A. basket ball team for the season of 1904-1905 has been organized with Leo N. Skemp as manager and Herbert C. Eicher, captain, and the following lineup of the team: Leo N. Skemp, forward; Harry H. Millen, left forward; Hubert C. Eicher, center; Harold S. Skemp, right guard; Walter W. Millen, left guard; Frank Mellinger, substitute. The first game of the season will likely be played at Braddock with the High School team of that place.